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A guest pauses to look at a colorful flower display in Dianna Tolbert's garden at the Sixth Annual Grayling Garden Walk on Sunday. This year's walk featured five different gardens owned by Grayling residents. The walk was a source of inspiration to new gardeners and long time enthusiasts alike. For more on the event, see Page 7B.

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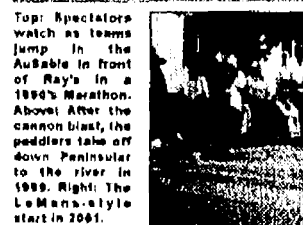
Countdown to the CANNON BLAST



As the first section of the 57th Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon approaches, it's time to look back at the history of the event. The marathon has been a tradition for over 50 years, and it's a great way to celebrate the community's love for the outdoors. The event is a great way to spend the day, and it's a great way to get to know the community. The event is a great way to spend the day, and it's a great way to get to know the community. The event is a great way to spend the day, and it's a great way to get to know the community.



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This week's Crawford County Avalanche contains the 2004 AuSable River Canoe Marathon Spectator Guide, an annual Avalanche publication that includes paddler profiles, course map, several Marathon-related articles, sponsorship information, and much more. For more information on this year's AuSable Marathon and this weekend's Spike's Challenge canoe races, see Page 1B.

Counterfeit bill found in Grayling

A counterfeit bill was recently found at a local bank. It was so good that a teller accepted it. Usually a counterfeit can be told by looking closely or by the feel but this one was a pretty good imitation.

How can you tell if you have a counterfeit bill?

First compare the feel and texture of the paper with other bills which you know to be authentic. Most counterfeit bills can be detected by feel.

If it feels okay but you are still suspicious check the numeral in the lower right hand corner of the new bills (except the \$5 bill). When the bill is tilted back and forth the numeral changes color from green to black and back.

Hold the bill up to a light to view the watermark in an unprinted space to the right of the portrait. The watermark should be visible from both the front and back of the bill.

Hold the bill up to a light to view the security thread. A thin imbedded strip running from the top to the bottom of the bill should be visible on the face of the bill. In the \$10 and \$50 bills the strip is located to the right of

the portrait. In the \$5, \$20 and \$100 bills it is located to the left of the portrait.

The security strips also contain microprinting - USA FIVE on the \$5, USA TEN on the \$10, USA TWENTY on the \$20, USA 50 on the \$50 and USA 100 on the \$100 bill. Microprinting can also be found around the portrait as well as on the security threads.

Very fine lines have also been added behind the portrait and on the reverse side scene.

If you suspect you have a counterfeit bill, don't return it to the passer. If possible, delay the passer with some excuse but don't put yourself in danger. Observe the passer's description and if possible record the vehicle license plate numbers.

Contact the local police department or state police.

Do not handle the note. Place the note inside an envelope or plastic bag and turn it over to the police.

There is no financial reward for the return of a counterfeit bill but you will have pride in doing the "right thing" to help combat counterfeiting.

Historic artillery match a real blast



Competitors at the Historic Artillery Shoot wheel a cannon onto the field. The shoot was held at Camp Grayling and featured authentic weaponry. The event, which was held on July 10 and 11, drew a crowd of around 500 people. For more on the Historic Artillery Shoot, see Page 7B.

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Committee seeks entries for AuSable River Festival parade

Parades have always been a part of America's heritage, and each year the AuSable River Festival Parade is held in conjunction with the Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon, now in its 57th year. This year's parade will be held on July 24 at 3 p.m., with the theme of "Disney Goes North." Groups, service clubs, businesses, non-profit organizations, etc., are welcomed.

To sign up, fill in the application below in full and return it to the following address: AuSable

River Festival, Parade Committee, 6248 Spring Velvet Ct., Grayling, MI 49738.

If your group charges a fee or would appreciate a donation, please enter that information as

well. If there are any other special arrangements needed, send that information in along with the completed application form. "For bands and marching groups, we would appreciate a picture

and we will give you some advance publicity," the parade committee said.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Joni Duncel at (989) 348-4801.

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By-law snag discovered at COA

by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

The 1997 by-laws the Commission on Aging (COA) was operating under had never been approved by the County Board of Commissioners.

The oversight was discovered after an inquiry by County Commissioner Rick Anderson regarding term limits and term lengths for COA board members.

The COA by-laws have been re-written several times but the last changes that were approved were those in 1996 which changed the term length from four years to three years, and kept the term limit restrictions - after serving two terms, the board member must be off of the board for at least one year.

In 1997, the COA board thought they had amended the by-laws to remove term limits.

At that time, they also set up the provision for removal from the board if a board member missed three consecutive meetings. The changes were passed by the COA board by a vote of 3-2.

The amendments were then sent on to the County Board for their approval. The County Board sent them back saying that by-law changes required a 2/3 majority vote.

During that time the COA board was in a state of flux and the matter was never brought up for action.

All COA boards since then mistakenly thought they were acting under the 1997 by-laws, however, legally, the 1996 by-laws were still in force.

At a special meeting held June 30, 2004, the COA board passed the 1997 changes by a vote of 6-0 and forwarded the amendment to the County Board for action.

At the July 1 County Board meeting, the 1997 by-laws were approved.

Anderson brought up his concern that this might be the only board under county aegis that had this problem. Lynette Corlew, chair of the county board, asked Anderson if he would be willing to work with the other boards to make sure they were all operating under the correct sets of by-laws. He agreed to accept the responsibility and report back to the County Board.

COA director cleaning up backlog

by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

Last year, the Commission on Aging (COA) board had an evaluation of the operations of the COA done by a team of outside consultants. The consultants' report had a list of several things that needed to be improved, some small, some not-so-small.

New COA Director Alice Snyder has been using that assessment as a to-do list and is gradually making the necessary improvements.

Among the improvements already done are posting emergency procedures, putting instructions on the phones so that in an emergency, someone not familiar with the system will be able to summon help, setting up training for Meals on Wheels drivers, purchasing bags so that all drivers have both hot and cold

food storage bags, arranging for training so Meals on Wheels drivers will have some emergency training, and posting menus weekly.

She is also looking into ways to reorganize the employee positions possibly creating an information specialist position who would handle most inquiries and public relations.

Snyder also addressed the issue of tensions between board members and both the staff and seniors in the community. Working together is the only way to improve conditions for all seniors she said and added that it was "important for everyone to learn how to deal with others respectfully."

Snyder also mentioned the possibility of rescheduling meetings to a time more convenient for seniors.

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Hartwick Pines bike path nears completion

by Matt Seager
Staff Writer

Grayling cyclists have something to look forward to with the upcoming completion of a new bike path connecting the high school to Hartwick Pines.

"This trail is the result of the hard work and financial help of many volunteers in our community. We are extremely lucky to have so many citizens step forward to make this possible," said trails volunteer Wayne Koppa.

This path will be the third added to the Grayling area in the

last three years, all of which are primarily funded by a federal grant that is being utilized by the Michigan Department of Transportation. The first bike path runs from Grayling High School to the M-72 and I-75 Business Loop intersection. The second connects town to Hanson Hills. This new path will be an extension of the bike path by the high school, running alongside M-93.

Approximately 225,000 people visit Hartwick Pines every year. According to Koppa, this

will give visitors a "non-motorized option." For example, camping vacationers will now be able to bike to town from the park, which is something that is currently both difficult and dangerous for cyclists and other pedestrians.

Part of the bike path crosses over the expressway. Building a separate walk over the bridge would have cost an additional \$600,000, according to Koppa. Instead, they will re-stripe the

bridge and put the bike path on the existing surface, narrowing the traffic lanes for motor vehicles.

The planned completion date for the new bike path is August 6. This, however, is not the last project in store for local cyclists.

"We've got other ideas that are out there," said Koppa. Future plans include a possible bike path to the Rayburn property off North Down River Road, among other options.



Construction workers discuss progress on the trail. The path, which runs alongside M-93, will be open to walking, skateboarding and rollerblading as well as biking.



This bulldozer is clearing the path to be paved. This new bike path will create new options for travel to and from Hartwick Pines.

Crawford County meets Devereaux Challenge

by Matt Seager
Staff Writer

This April, Leslie Devereaux challenged the community to raise \$3,500 for the library's "Giving the Gift of Reading" children's program. Devereaux would match that amount as soon as enough donations were collected.

It is time for Leslie Devereaux to open her checkbook. Crawford County residents rose to the challenge, reaching the required amount this June.

"To give a leg up to our kids is so important, and that's what the Devereaux challenge will do," said Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library Director Bambi Mansfield-Sanderson. The money will be used to put more children's books on the shelves, as well as pay for books that will be given away to children for free as a part of the "Giving the Gift of Reading" program. For every five books a child reads, they are given one for free. Money will also be used to support a continuing children's reading program called "Reading Is Fundamental (RIF)".

"It is important for young children to learn early in their lives

to enjoy reading," said program benefactor Leslie Devereaux. Research continues to indicate that when children are read to, and begin reading, at a young age, there is a major positive impact on their overall development.

The challenge was a success due to the many generous contributions of individuals and organizations within Crawford County. People throughout the community made the extra effort to raise funds for this project.

"It just reaffirmed to me what a great community this is," said Mansfield-Sanderson. A collection at the Grayling Marathon gas station raised over \$240, mostly from \$1 donations of people who were passing through and wanted to support a good cause. One Crawford County resident even wrote a \$100 personal check for the fund raiser. Children lent their support by donating their pennies. These are all examples of how individuals within the community are showing their commitment to children's literacy. Public service organizations, including the Grayling Youth Booster Club and the Grayling Rotary Club, also donated generously.

"The challenge just brought more attention to the good things we're trying to do here," said Mansfield-Sanderson. Interest in the library and its various programs has continued to grow in Crawford County.

The library offers free internet and is an invaluable resource for research, recreational reading and education. This summer, the library is averaging about 60 computer uses per day, with an overall average of about 150 people using the library's facilities daily. It gives those who would not otherwise have access to books an outlet to the world. The community has recognized this and has made an exceptional effort to support one of the Library's most important programs.

"It's encouraging that people are realizing more and more the importance of reading and education," said Devereaux. Devereaux chose to support this program because the Grayling area is very important to her and her family.

"This is something that will be long lasting and of importance to the community," said Devereaux. Enough money was raised to sustain children's programs for "a

couple years," according to Mansfield-Sanderson. For more information on new children's programs and other activities, the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library can be contacted at 348-9214.

Incident lands Beaver Creek man in jail

by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

Sheriff's deputies were called to the home of Randee Craig Johnson on Millikin Lane in Beaver Creek Township on July 7 at approximately 4:30 p.m. after Johnson had reportedly threatened three neighbors with a gun.

A warrant was issued for Johnson's arrest and he was

lodged in the Crawford County jail Friday.

Johnson was arraigned Monday afternoon before Magistrate Camarin Compton on three felony files. Each file had the same charges with the exception of the name of the person allegedly threatened. The counts in each file were assault with a dangerous weapon, felonious assault and assault with a danger-

ous weapon, to wit a rifle, but without the intent to commit murder.

The law firm of Deamud and Bennett of Prudenville were named as Johnson's court appointed attorneys.

Johnson's preliminary examination has been set for July 20.

Accident victim is home

by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

Karen Minard, the young Grayling girl who was struck by a vehicle July 3 while trying to cross James Street near the American Legion Hall, has returned home.

Shortly after the accident she was airlifted to Spectrum-DeVos Children's Hospital in Grand Rapids where she underwent several surgeries.

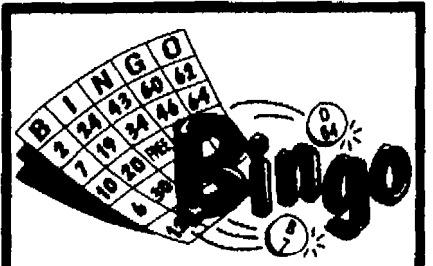
Karen is now at home with her parents Ken and Dawn Minard

where she is in serious but stable condition.

Due to her condition she will be home schooled, for the upcoming school year.

Anyone wishing to send cards may address them to Karen Minard, P.O. Box 181, Grayling MI 49738.

Karen's father said the family was "very appreciative of the actions of MMR, Mercy Hospital Grayling and Spectrum DeVos Children's Hospital in Grand Rapids."



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ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

John Edwards is a good pick for Kerry ticket

I SEE BY THE PAPERS Sen. John Kerry has opted for a fellow senator, John Edwards of North Carolina, to run for vice president.

In my book, it's a good choice.

I was impressed with Mr. Edwards' campaign in his own brief quest for the Democratic presidential nomination.

He pretty well steered clear of negative comments about the other candidates, including Mr. Kerry. The Edwards campaign was set on a positive note, in particular the theme of two Americas, one for the privileged and a second for the rest of us, and the need to close the gap and bring all of America together.

Of course, most everyone identifies with "the rest of us," because very few folks will consider themselves as privileged. So the Edwards campaign had broad appeal, and was distinguishable from the rest of the candidate pack.

Not many primary voters agreed, only those in South Carolina where Mr. Edwards was born, and John Edwards dropped from the running.

He's relatively young, good looking, speaks well, and has little political baggage. He made a fortune as a trial lawyer, if that's a drawback, and he spent only one term in the U.S. senate, which is the limit of his public office holding, if that is a drawback. In fact, being a relatively political neophyte might work in his favor.

John Edwards should be able to make some new friends for the Democratic ticket, while John Kerry handles run of the mill and committed Democrats, and the "anybody but Bush" crowd needs no further champion, anyway.

Discussion of John Edwards' selection as good or bad is all empty rhetoric anyway. Voters vote for the top of the tick-

et; rarely does anyone vote for vice president, and 2004 does not seem to be one of those rare moments in history.

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I SEE BY THE PAPERS that some Michigan Republicans are trying to help Ralph Nader get on the Michigan ballot, and Democrats don't think that's playing fair.

Why not? It makes sense for Republicans to help put Mr. Nader on the November ballot because he's liable to draw more votes from Democrat Kerry than from President George Bush.

Democrats should not like it either, and they don't, but it's not a cardinal sin for Republicans to pitch in for Mr. Nader at this point, and it's not dirty politics, either. It's good, clean, legitimate political mischief.

If the positions were reversed, Democrats would be doing the same

thing, regardless of how much partisan purity is being preached now.

But as in the Edwards comment above, it really doesn't make much difference in the long run. Mr. Nader is not likely to draw enough votes in Michigan to throw the election one way or another.

The stakes are too high, and Michigan voters know it.

* * *

I SEE BY THE PAPERS Michigan voters likely will face much more than helping pick a president in November.

We also may decide whether same gender marriages should be banned in the Michigan constitution. It will be a hot question and likely will draw many more voters to the polls than Ralph Nader ever will.

Petitions also have been filed to ask the voters to decide whether any new gambling expansion in Michigan needs a

popular vote. Again, this question likely will attract more attention and dedicated voters than Mr. Nader.

It's a tough job to get enough signatures to put questions such as these on a statewide ballot.

However, in both cases, this is not the right way to enact laws in Michigan. Both of these questions should be handled by statute and not by adding them to our state constitution.

The constitution should draw the broad outlines of government, with the legislature empowered to fill in the details.

Making law by referendum is not good government.

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Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

Not every person can be involved in every project

To the editor:

I want to congratulate Timothy Gignac for his involvement in the Lake Margrethe clean-up project. I certainly agree that our lake is a beautiful asset, and it does deserve the care and attention of all community residents. I do not agree, however, with his contention that other people with their pet projects, (i.e. loon nesting islands) do not participate in other ongoing projects that benefit the community as a whole. Perhaps, unbeknownst to Mr. Gignac, these people were, in fact, directly involved in another worthwhile community project.

Not every person can be involved with every project, Mr. Gignac, particularly on the very same day. I know for a fact that some people who were at a very

important community-oriented project that morning, planned on participating in the lake clean-up in the afternoon. Unfortunately, the clean-up project only lasted until noon.

You must know that not everyone can be involved in every project, Timothy. I don't remember seeing you at the Eurasian Milfoil mapping project at Lake Margrethe last summer. I know for a fact that you have not participated in the effort to help the Common Loons, which are listed as threatened on the Federal Endangered Species List. The very few, and precious loons we are fortunate enough to have visit our lake in the summer are also great assets.

Denise A. McEvers
Grayling

Time of parade caused confusion

To the editor:

Hopefully the paper can work with Carl Borchers for the time of the parade next year: 11 a.m.

not 12 noon, as this did cause a lot of confusion.

Lloyd Berry
Grayling

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WASHINGTON NOTES

By Carl Levin, U.S. Senator (D-Michigan)

Dealing with the high cost of prescription drugs

Over the past four years, U.S. prescription drug prices have increased an average of nearly 20 percent annually. Americans today pay, on average, 60 percent more than the British for the same prescription drugs, and two-thirds more than Canadians. High drug costs are forcing some individuals suffering from chronic illnesses to choose between taking their medicine on any given day and paying the bills or buying groceries.

As prescription drug prices in the United States continue to skyrocket, American consumers have become increasingly desperate to find the cheapest drugs available. In recent years, some consumers are turning to the Internet to comparison shop and buy the lowest cost drugs online. Other Americans have crossed the border to Canada to buy their prescription drugs at greatly reduced prices.

Internet pharmacies are a relatively new response to the problem of high cost medicines. Some Internet pharmacies are completely legal operations, set up to offer convenience and cost savings. They require patient prescriptions and deliver medications from U.S. approved facilities.

Other Internet pharmacies operate illegally, selling medications without prescriptions and using unapproved manufacturers either in the United States or offshore. Many Internet pharmacies are dis-

pensing medicine illegally and, in some cases, selling counterfeit or unsafe drugs.

To get a better sense of the enforcement problems with Internet pharmacies, the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, of which I am the senior Democrat, initiated a review of how these pharmacies operate and how federal law enforcement finds and stops unsafe medications.

As part of our investigation, the General Accounting Office (GAO) spent several months earlier this year buying prescription drugs online and then testing the drugs to find out if they were actually the medications ordered. The GAO bought popular medications such as Celebrex, an anti-inflammatory pain reliever; Lipitor, a cholesterol-lowering drug; Viagra, a medication for male sexual dysfunction, and Zoloft, an anti-depressant.

The GAO investigation found that buying medications from Internet pharmacies was not difficult. The GAO placed 90 online orders and received 68 samples, a success rate of 75 percent. Of those 68 medications, 45 were shipped illegally because there had been no patient-provided prescription. Many were also shipped without FDA-required precautions such as patient instructions and temperature-controlled packaging.

Of the 68 samples, 48 were from U.S. or Canadian-based Internet pharmacies, 18 were

from other foreign sites, and two could not be determined. The GAO determined that none of the U.S. or Canadian samples were counterfeit. However, of the other 18 foreign samples, three were found to be counterfeit, including two that contained incorrect but not necessarily dangerous chemical compositions and one that had no active ingredients at all.

Millions of packages containing pharmaceutical products were imported into the United States last year and in 2003, and an estimated \$1.1 billion worth of prescription drugs were imported into the U.S. solely from Canada. Internet pharmacies have contributed to this increase and to the ongoing strain on our enforcement resources. The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations will hold another hearing to explore possible solutions to the problems of Internet pharmacies.

One of the reasons millions of Americans are turning to internet pharmacies is the high cost of prescription drugs in the United States. Another way many Americans are coping with skyrocketing drug prices is by traveling to Canada to buy cheaper prescriptions from Canadian drug stores.

Drastic measures such as these point up the need to deal with the larger issue of drug reimportation. The importation of prescription drugs happens everyday in this country. Buying prescriptions from

abroad over the Internet or actually going to Canada to purchase one's prescriptions are attempts by U.S. citizens to beat the high cost of drugs. Folks are doing what they have to in order to find and buy more affordable medicine.

I am one of many U.S. senators who support the seniors' bus trips Canada. I also favor legalizing importation of drugs from countries such as Canada as a way to bring down prices here at home and to stop the current practice of forcing American taxpayers alone to bear the burden of subsidizing research and development costs for U.S. drug companies.

The exorbitant price of prescription drugs in the United States is driving Americans to buy low cost medicine from foreign countries. While I support stronger enforcement action to shut down illegal Internet pharmacies and confiscate unsafe medications at the border, those actions won't cure the larger problem of overpriced drugs here in the United States.

It is time for Congress to take action on legislation to legalize drug imports. The bipartisan Pharmaceutical Market Access and Drug Safety Act, which I have cosponsored with 27 other senators, would legalize the importation of drugs and begin to address the real issue of high drug prices for Americans.

Carl Levin is the Senior U.S. senator from Michigan.

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BRIEFS

Republican Committee to meet

The Crawford County Republican Committee will meet Monday, July 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 West Michigan Avenue in Grayling. All members and prospective members are encouraged to attend. Bill Perkins, co-author of "Modern Day Heroes" will be the guest speaker.

Ostomy Association to hold meeting

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Sunday, July 18, at 2 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in St. Ignace. All ostomates and interested persons are cordially invited. Please call (989) 821-5721 for further information.

Free hearing and vision screenings offered

District Health Department #10 will be offering free hearing and vision screenings for kids ages 3 to 18 years at the Crawford County Health Department on Friday, July 30. Please call (989) 348-7800 for an appointment. If your child is of pre-school or kindergarten age, please call to schedule an appointment for the August screening dates at the local health department.

Free concert in the City park

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce presents The Wise Guys (Mike and Thane Doremire & Jack and Dan Beckwith), on Saturday, July 16 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Sticky buns will be the highlight Saturday at Wellington Farm Park

On Saturday, July 17, the air around the Summer Kitchen of Wellington Farm Park will carry the distinct aroma of freshly baked bread. But wait! Those things coming out of the oven of the old Kalamazoo wood cook-stove are not loaves of bread! Those are sticky buns!

True, the basic ingredient is bread dough, made early in the day using flour from the Gristmill, but to that has been added a mixture of raisins, walnuts, sugar molasses and butter all rolled into little individual portions that are absolutely scrumptious, when tasted, while still warm. There is nothing like a fresh sticky bun fresh from the oven.

Wellington Farm Park is open from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. Regular admission is \$4 for adults and \$3 for students and seniors. The park depicts life during the Great Depression, or more specifically, the year 1932. This was before the coming of electricity to rural America, and a time when life itself was about

as difficult as it could get.

The economic condition of the country was such that unemployment was affecting almost every family and to provide enough food was the most pressing task of the day. In addition, drought conditions creating the Dust Bowl made crop failures almost a certainty. Even with all the adversity and hardships, life on a farm during the Great Depression had its moments, and most certainly one of those moments would have been the day that mother made sticky buns.

Wellington Farm Park is located on Military Road, half-way between North Higgins Lake State Park and Camp Grayling. The park can be accessed from both I-75 and US-127. In addition to the historical displays and demonstrations, the park also offers a Farm Market and a small gift shop and museum.

More information can be obtained by calling, toll free 888-653-3276, or by visiting the website at www.wellingtonfarmpark.org.

Barbershop music to be featured at Alpenfest

The Michigan Northern Lights, a chapter of the Sweet Adelines will be singing their hearts out during the Alpenfest in Gaylord during the week of July 13-17.

On Tuesday they will be running their Paradise Pie Bar from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. while singing. The bar will be located inside the Brothers Coffee and Tea/Gidner Gallery located across from the Court House.

On Thursday they will be singing and working at the La Promenade Des Biscuits - Gaylord's version of a cakewalk.

However, their big program will be done on Friday at the pavilion while people are waiting for their dinner.

All of their concerts at the Alpenfest are free.

The group has members from Grayling, Gaylord and the surrounding areas. They have set a goal of 50 new members in song.

For more information about the group, or if you want to learn to sing barbershop harmony, call Margaret Black at 731-1707, Bethany Burghdorf at 732-2176, or Barbara Olson at 989-939-7089.

Bamboo fly rod to be raffled off this month

The media day held in June at the Grayling Fish Hatchery garnered a lot of attention from the public, but the steering committee is now faced with the task of fund-raising locally to qualify for grant money to complete phase II of the restoration.

Phase I of the project brought improvements to the raceways, and saw the construction of the children's fishing pond and the stormwater retention pond. Phase I was completed last year. Phase II deals with the restoration of the hatchery building.

One of the ways the steering committee is attempting to raise money is through the raffle of several items, chief of which is a bamboo fly rod built by Bob Summers. The fly-rod, valued at \$2,000, will be won by some lucky ticket holder at the drawing to be held at Ray's Fly Factory, July 24 at 6 p.m.

In addition, if the lucky ticket holder has purchased at least \$100 worth of tickets, he or she will also win a float trip with Bob Summers on the AuSable River in George Griffith's river boat. George Griffith was a co-founder of Trout Unlimited.

Other prizes available with the purchase of a raffle ticket are: a float trip on the AuSable River and night's lodging at Fuller's Outing Club in Lovells, a hand carved decoy of a grayling, a Solitude fly reel, and a locally made queen sized quilt with an outdoor theme.

Only 2,000 tickets were printed for the raffle. Tickets are \$5 each or six for \$25. Tickets can be purchased at the Bloomin' Grape, Laura's Scrapbook Nook, Fuller's Outing Club in Lovells, or call Kevin Garrity at 348-9005. They will also be available during marathon weekend.

Study to be conducted on Emerald Ash Borer

Emerald Ash Borer, EAB, is an exotic species of flat headed borer from Asia. It was first discovered in southeastern Michigan in 2002 and is deadly to true Ash trees.

Since its discovery it has made its way to other locations around the state. To date, the northern most confirmed location is now St. Helen in Roscommon County.

In an effort to measure and identify its spread to other locations, "Detection Trees," are being set up throughout

Michigan. Detection Trees are ash trees that have been girdled - girdling causes the tree to produce a chemical that has shown to attract the borer - then covered with a band of sticky substance that will entangle the adult borer.

Detection Trees will be monitored for EAB activity and removed at the end of the study. Landowners wishing to participate in this study should contact the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District at (989) 275-5231.

Kirtland to offer classes in West Branch and Tawas

Kirtland Community College will be offering two popular classes at off-campus locations in the upcoming fall semester.

Introduction to Business will be offered at the Iosco Regional Education Service Agency in Tawas (on M-55) on Mondays from 6 to 9 p.m. This class provides information on ownership, management, marketing, finance, law, decision making and more.

American Sign Language will

be offered in West Branch on Tuesdays and Thursdays 9 to 11 a.m., at a place to be determined. This course will help people develop the skill of using and understanding sign language.

Both classes begin the week of August 30 and run through December 16.

Registration can be done July 12-23 on campus, or online at www.kirtland.edu. For questions, call Kirtland at (989) 275-5000 ext. 284.

RAFFLE WINNERS

Grayling Youth Booster Club

Week ending July 11 - winners of \$25 each: Brenda Grandmaison, Harold Glasslee, Bob Cinciala and Larry Haske.

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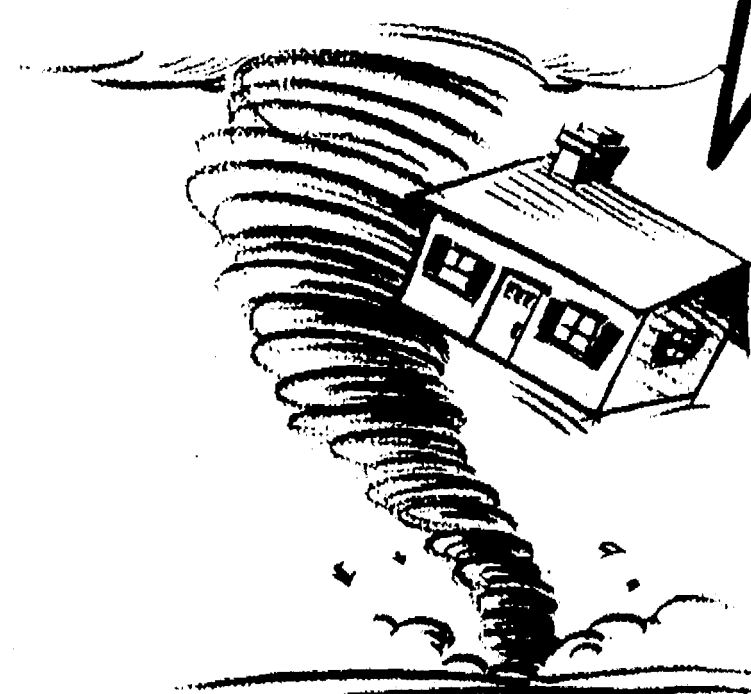
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Many oak trees will be gone soon

by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

Between the gypsy moth and oak wilt there will be a huge loss of oak trees in the county very soon.

Susan Thiel, Unit Manager of the Forest, Mineral and Fire Management division of the local Department of Natural Resources (DNR), said many of the oak trees in the county are at or near the end of their normal life cycle of 80 to 90 years and any increase in stress will shorten their lives.

The trees have been dealing with dry conditions for several years which has already put some stress on them. This summer the trees are facing two additional sources of stress - oak wilt and gypsy moths.

Oak wilt kills trees rapidly. It is caused by a fungus which is transferred between trees in two ways. The fungus plugs the water-conducting system of the tree. To block the spread of the fungus, the tree produces gums and resins which also plug the system, causing the trees to die quickly. Oaks will die within a few weeks after becoming infected.

The fungus can be carried to new areas by sap-feeding beetles, which move spores from infected trees to freshly-wounded healthy

trees. Wounding an oak tree whether accidental (lawnmowers) or intentional (pruning) between April 15 and July 15 can lead to oak wilt.

It can also be moved in firewood. Infected firewood can form spore-producing pads under the bark which attract sap-feeding beetles and who transfer oak wilt spores several miles.

Once a tree is infected the fungus is spread through interconnected root systems with nearby healthy trees. It is necessary to stop the movement of the fungus through the root systems, however, it is not easy. Cutting down the infected tree before severing the interconnected roots can actually speed the movement of the fungus into surrounding trees.

Generally once a tree is infected all the trees in the interconnected root system are doomed. The only way to stop the spread is to place a barrier, usually using a vibratory plow or trencher, in the ground to isolate the infected group, cut down the trees inside the barrier circle and immediately burn the trees or remove the bark completely from the area.

Thiel said this disease is more devastating than gypsy moths and is similar to the diseases that effectively wiped out elm and chestnut trees.

Gypsy moths defoliate trees and shorten their growth season dramatically. As larvae they usually feed at night for four to six weeks growing until they are about two inches long. About the end of this month they will turn into pupae and then emerge as moths in early August. While in the moth stage they do not eat, however, the female will lay egg masses which contain between 50 and 1,500 eggs which sit for nine months until they hatch out the following spring continuing the cycle.

One of the best ways to control the moths is to destroy the egg masses which are intertwined in a matting of hair from the body of the female and located in a protected area such as a loose flap of bark or something flat nailed to a tree. They can be scraped from the surface to which they are attached into a receptacle and then buried or burned.

When found in the caterpillar stage, one inexpensive way to get rid of them is to tie a dark-colored cloth band around the tree. The band should be about 12 to 18 inches wide and long enough to encircle the tree. Tie the middle of the band about 4-5 feet above the ground, then fold the top of the band down over the twine to form a band that is only

6-9 inches high.

Caterpillars tend to hide during the daytime and will often be found hiding under the flap. They can be easily killed by scraping them into a bucket of soapy water.

Thiel added that due to their age and the threats described above several stands of oak are scheduled for clear cutting both to help prevent the spread of oak wilt and to allow the forest to regenerate in oak. She said that if the stands were select cut, not only would it be harder to prevent the spread of oak wilt, but much of the new growth would be red maple which is a very aggressive grower, crowding out the more desirable oak.



FOOT NOTES

by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

FLIP FLOPS & HEEL PAIN

More younger patients ages 15 to 25 are suffering from heel pain, and experts blame flip-flop sandals for many of the cases. These thin-soled shoes offer no arch support and little other cushioning to protect feet. Wearing flip-flops, as many young people do regularly, can impair biomechanics while walking and lead to pain and inflammation. Other causes of heel pain in youth are obesity and a sedentary lifestyle during winter months. When people increase activity levels dramatically during the better weather, heel pain often results. Carrying extra weight also burdens the foot and may cause inflammation. Plantar fasciitis is a painful condition caused by chronic inflammation. Heel pain can also be caused by systemic medical conditions.

Bearing all the body's weight with every step, the heel is subject to con-

siderable stress. Shoes with no support, weight gain, high impact athletic activities, even prolonged walking or standing can increase such stress. When heel pain is the answer to this stress, there are both temporary and permanent treatments to eliminate the problem. Any treatment, however, begins with a call to your podiatrist. We are now accepting new patients at GRAND TRAVERSE FOOT & ANKLE CENTER, P.C., we offer a full range of foot care services at 1209 E. 8th Street, Traverse City, and we welcome your call, 922-9100 & 800-968-7440, for an appointment. Offices in Traverse City, also Kalkaska Memorial Health Center Monday & Wednesday afternoons and evenings.

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Natural Rivers hearing held at GMS

by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

Approximately 50 people attended the meeting held June 29 at Grayling Middle School to get a copy of the final draft of the zoning plan for the Upper Manistee and Pine Rivers. The rivers were declared as Natural Rivers last fall after several years of study and public input.

Natural Rivers designation limits the types of buildings and uses that can be put in place along the river corridor.

Dan Pearson, Natural Rivers Zoning Administrator, discussed the program, noted that the zoning only covers 400 feet from the

edge of the river.

He said structures that exist before the zoning changes were made do not have to be moved but there are some restrictions on increasing the size of the structure.

Pearson also noted that in most cases if the building is destroyed, by fire for example, it may be able to be rebuilt in the same location. Exceptions would include cases where the building was in the flood plain of the river.

After the formal presentation the members of the audience were given a chance to make specific suggestions for rule revisions.

Several people commented both for and against the designation, but only one specific concern was given regarding the setback for mining and extracting industries which she felt was not big enough.

The zoning plan is expected to go into effect early this fall.

Wild animals coming to Summer Reading Program

by Matt Seager
Staff Writer

Curious young minds will have the opportunity to explore Michigan wildlife without needing a backpack or binoculars at the AuSable Primary School on Thursday, July 15 at 1:00 p.m. The Crawford County Library is hosting the Howell Nature Center to visit the school and bring some extraordinary friends.

"We aren't certain which animals are coming in," said Bambi Mansfield-Sanderson, Director of the Crawford County Devereaux Memorial Library. The Howell Nature Center is a wildlife rehabilitation facility that brings in animals and does presentations for kids and families. On the 15th, they will bring in a mix of birds and other wildlife for their presentation.

The educational program will focus on what a person is supposed to do if an injured wild animal is found, the importance of birds of prey to the environment and other wildlife topics.

"It eliminates their fears a little bit," said Mansfield-Sanderson. The program staff will allow children to approach animals and overcome any fear they might have of these creatures.

"(Staff) are just really good about letting (children) approach slowly," said Mansfield-Sanderson.

The program is a part of the library's Summer Reading Program and is free to children and adults. It is a great opportunity for children to gain a better understanding of their environment and the creatures that live in it.

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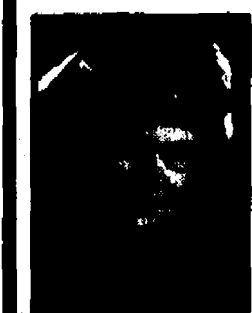
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Grayling Music In The Park
"The Wise Guys" 6:00 p.m. - City Park

Saturday, July 17
• 10:00 a.m. Sprints for Starting Position at the City Park Pond
• 10:00 a.m. Sprints for C-2 Race in City Park
• 6:00 p.m. C-1 Race - Borchers AuSable Canoe Livery

Sunday, July 18
• 8:30 a.m. Starting from Ray's Canoe Livery
• Spike's Challenge Race Grayling to McMaster's Bridge

Tuesday, July 20
• Children's Day 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Grayling City Park
• 5:30 p.m. Ice Cream Social & Dance King & Queen Inauguration - Commission on Aging, 308 Lawndale St.

Children's Day Schedule of Events
10 - 10:45 a.m. - Registration; Wrist Bands; Games and inflatables open.
10:45 - 11 a.m. - Potato Sack Race & Noodle Relay - Age groups 6-9 & 10-12; Across the River: Treasure Hunt & Blow the Ping Pong; Ages 5 and under - Children's Corner.
11:15 - 11:30 a.m.: Egg Toss - Ages 6-9 and 10-12; Across the River: Open Games; Ages 5 and under - Children's Corner.
11:45 a.m. - 12 noon: Egg in Spoon - Age groups 6-9 and 10-12; Across the River; Ages 5 and under - Children's Corner.
12 noon - 1 p.m.: Lunch - Hot dogs, chips and drinks.
12:30 - 1 p.m.: Games and inflatables open.
1 - 1:15 p.m.: Treasure Hunt; Ages 5 and under - Children's Corner; Pizza Eating - Age groups 6-9 & 10-12 in the Pavilion.
1:15 - 1:30 p.m.: Pie Eating - Age groups 6-9 & 10-12 in the Pavilion.
1:30 - 1:45 p.m.: Shoe Scramble; Ages 5 and under - Children's Corner
1:30 - 2 p.m.: Hula-hoop Contest - Ages 6 - 9 & 10 - 12.
2 p.m.: Bubble Gum Blowing Contest - Age groups 6-9 & 10-12.
2:15 p.m.: Park Closed
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Wednesday, July 21
• HUP RACE (Hurry Up & Paddle or Sink Race)
• 6:00 p.m. - City Park

Thursday, July 22
• 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.: Community Coffee Break - Citizen's Bank
• 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.: River Festival Book Sale - Devereaux Memorial Library (July 22 - 25)
• 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Business Relay Races - Penrod's to Ray's Canoes
• 5-8 p.m. Sprints for starting position Penrod's AuSable River Resort
• 7:00 p.m. C-1 Express starting time - Borchers's to Burton's Landing

Friday, July 23
• 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Quilt Sitters Quilt Show - The Icehouse Quilt Shop (July 23 & 24)
• 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.: River Festival Book Sale - Devereaux Memorial Library. Sponsored by Friends of the Library.
• 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Youth Canoe Races - Borchers AuSable Canoe Livery (Ages 12 to 17 years)
• 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.: 29th Annual AuSable River Fine Arts & Craft Show - Grayling City Park
• 2-5:45 p.m. Sprints for starting position Penrod's AuSable River Resort
• Special Olympics Challenge
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• 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Marathon Breakfast - 308 Lawndale St.
• 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Classic Car Show - Mich. Ave.
• 10:00 a.m. Horseshoe Tournament - Grayling Eagles Hall (M-72 West)
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• 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Food Court - Michigan Ave.
• 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Rock Wall - Michigan Ave.
• 12:00noon - 4:00 p.m. Michelson Memorial Church Ice Cream Social - 400 E. Michigan Ave.
• 12:00noon - 6:00 p.m. 11th Annual Ox & Pork Roast - Grayling Eagles Hall (M-72 East)
• 12:00noon - 6:00 p.m. 9th Annual Rotary Chicken BBQ - American Legion
• 3:00 p.m. AuSable River Festival Parade - Mich. Ave.

The Weyerhaeuser AuSable Canoe Marathon Program held at Ray's Canoe Livery
• 5:00 p.m. Challenge Races
• 6:00 p.m. Pre-Marathon Program
• 7:00 p.m. Introduction of Paddlers
• 7:25 p.m. Posting of Colors by Michigan National Guard
• 8:15 p.m. Challenge Race Award Ceremony
• 8:45 p.m. Marathon Raffle Drawing
• 9:00 p.m. START of the 56th Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon

Sunday, July 25
• 8:00 a.m. start of the Avita Water Black Bear Bicycle Tour - Michigan Ave.

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Persons registered through pre-payment, traveling from counties surrounding the Lewiston area. Owners dropped off cats as old as eight years and as young as eight weeks in carriers and picked them up approximately one hour later. The cats and kittens were sterilized using state-of-the-art surgical procedures.

LBF's event helps decrease the

unwanted animals abandoned in northern Michigan woods or at local shelters where, more often than not, cats are euthanized.

Several clients on Saturday had entire litters spayed and neutered, absorbing the total cost so these kittens are more adoptable. One client remarked: "Thanks so much. I couldn't have afforded to spay and neuter four kittens if you hadn't sponsored this. Now I can find them homes."

A successful day, LBF event organizer Gail Lee observed, "We haven't solved the problem of cat overpopulation in our area, but we have prevented the loss of lives by sponsoring this service. I am impressed by the vehicles facilities, the professional operating room and the service Dr. Bullerick offers. I think he is an excellent vet."

Working with area veterinarians, Lewiston Best Friends offers low-cost spay and neuters to pet owners unable or unwilling to pay for these procedures. If your dog or cat needs to be sterilized,



Dr. David Bullerick from Boyne City and his wife Cheryl Hoffman, a licensed veterinary technician, performed low-cost spays and neuters on fifty-five cats in their mobile animal sterilization hospital (MASH) in Lewiston on July 10.

write them at P.O. Box 969, Lewiston, Michigan, or email them at tatumm@kirtland.edu. Pictures of the event and other

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general non-criminal, one structure fire, one vehicle fire, one trees brush grass fire, one delinquent minors, two false alarm activations, two assault/intimidation/stalking, one aggravated assault-nonfamily-gun, six larceny, one larceny from yard, one fraudulent activities, three damage to property, one damage property-private property, two marijuana possession, one sex

offenses/indecency exposure, one liquor law violations, 17 public peace/disorderly, two health and safety, one conservation, five driving violations/DWLS (driving while license suspended), etc.

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Meet the Guides Day held at Lovells



Todd Fuller, president of the AuSable Manistee River Guides Association, stands with his favorite river boat at the first annual Meet the Guides day.

by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

The Lovells Historical Society and the AuSable Manistee River Guides Association sponsored the first annual Meet the Guides day in Lovells July 10.

The activities which included casting demonstrations and a chance to look at riverboats - old and new, were held at Fuller's North Branch Outing Club located on the bank of the river.

Todd Fuller, president of the Guides Association, said the association was started in the 1940's and included Earl Madsen, Marion Birch, Clarence Roberts and several

members of the Stephan family.

Fuller said the aim of the association is not only to provide their clients with an outstanding fishing experience but also to promote conservation efforts and help ensure access to the rivers for all.

The association which currently has 17 members requires that all of its guides be CPR certified.

Fuller added that each guide also talks with his clients about the importance of proper conduct on the river as well as imparting some of the history of the area during the trip.

For more information on the guides association visit their website at www.amrga.org.

McClain headed to Miss Michigan competition

Grayling native Brandi McClain was named 1st runner-up at the National Cherry Queen contest on July 9.

During the festival the queen contestants were chauffeured around Traverse City, treated to meals at restaurants, enjoyed the rides and games at the festival, participated in a parade, and talked with Governor Granholm.

McClain also won a wardrobe, various cherry products, jewelry, her tiara and scholarship money.

She was sponsored by Ravenwood for the festival and has been invited to model for

them. They provide all of the lotions, soaps, and shampoos used at the Grand Traverse Resort.

McClain plans to enter the competition for the Miss Michigan title. She will be competing in Charlevoix in early fall. The winner of the Miss Michigan title will compete in the Miss America contest held in late September.

McClain also plans to begin law school in September at Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Oakland.

Hospital parking lot to be closed

Beginning, Monday, July 19, the front parking lot at Mercy Hospital Grayling will be closed down for resurfacing and replacement of the damaged curbing and sidewalk for approximately nine days.

The parking area in front of the Emergency Department will not be affected.

During this time the hospital will be using the Grayling Elementary school parking lot for patient and visitor use.

While the project is in progress the hospital will provide shuttle service to and from the school parking lot during normal working hours.

During the weekend of the Milltown Festivities, July 24-25 the parking lot will be reopened and then closed back down on the following Monday and Tuesday, July 26-27 for final work to be completed. Weather permitting, the parking lot will reopen on Wednesday, July 28.

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The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Road 612, east of Sherman Road, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road) will be conducting military maneuvers,

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Small Arms Ranges, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek. July 15-21.

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Range 20 and 21, Demolition Ranges located south of Howe Road, west of the Crawford County Line, north of Daniels Road, and east of the gas pipeline. July 15.

The Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down

River Road, east of Jones Lake Road, south of County Road 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail. July 15-21.

In addition, the following roads will be closed on: July 15-21:

- Bucks East-West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Road to Bald Hill Truck Trail.
- Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to North Down River Road.
- Stephan Bridge Road from County Road 612 to North Down River Road.
- Wakeley Bridge Road from County Road 612 to North Down River Road.

is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time.

This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling office of the Department of Natural Resources for the area closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling Department of Natural Resources telephone number: (989) 348-6371.

For further information call 1-800-628-5820.

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The family of Richard (Dick) Miller wishes to thank everyone whose kindness and caring has meant so much in the past days and weeks:

Especially Dr. Korneli and nurse Diane, the American Legion Post #106 and Auxiliary for their services at the memorial, the Michigan State Police, and a very special thanks to Nina, Judy and Jenny from Mercy Amicare Homecare and Hospice.

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The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Thursday, July 15 - Beef goulash/Boiled dinner with ham; 10 a.m. - Aerobics; 10 a.m. - Crafts Class; 5:30 p.m. - Uno Attack.

Friday, July 16 - Stuffed chicken breast/no dinner; 12 noon - Lovells Satellite; 1 p.m. - Pantry Bingo; 1 p.m. - Staggette Club.

Sunday, July 18 - Pancake Brunch: Brunch 10 a.m. to 1

p.m. Pancakes and sausage, fruit bar with cottage cheese, pudding and fruit juice, coffee and milk - \$2.25 seniors and kids under 12, \$3.50 for non-seniors.

Monday, July 19 - Hot dog on a bun/Meatloaf; 12 noon - Stag Club; 1 p.m. - Bridge Club; 5:30 p.m. - Hangman.

Tuesday, July 20 - Spaghetti with meatballs/Baked chicken; 1 p.m. - Bridge Club; 5:30 p.m. - Inauguration of King & Queen, Ice cream social and dance with "The Banjo Pickers."

Wednesday, July 21 - Turja noodle casserole/Beef; 12 noon - Stag Club; 5:30 p.m. - Movie.

Tuesdays and Thursdays - salad bar; Mondays and Wednesdays - soup bar.

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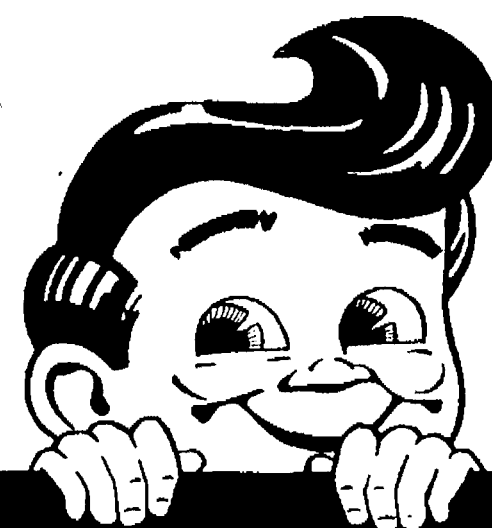
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On The Ballot: August 3 Primary Election

Grayling Township

All races for board seats in Grayling Township are contested, and many of them will be decided in the August 3 primary election. All positions are four-year terms.

On the township board, the supervisor, clerk, and treasurer positions will each have two Republicans and no Democrats on the primary ballot.

Candidates include: supervisor - Terry Wright (incumbent), Lynnette Sue Corlew; clerk - Monica Ashton (incumbent), Phyllis A. Huffman; treasurer - Ruth O'Mara (incumbent), Cheryl Ruley. The primary election winners in each of these races will advance to the November general election,

where they will face no opposition from Democrats.

In the race for two trustee seats, there are five Republican candidates and one Democrat. The two Republicans who receive the most votes in the August primary will face Democrat Carolyn DiPonio (and any independents who meet the filing requirements) in the November general election. The five Republican trustee candidates are: Dale E. French (incumbent), Lacey Stephan III (incumbent), Shawn M. Krayes, Dennis J. Long, and Geraldine "Jeddy" Hood.

Jack Best is running unopposed for the constable position.

The Crawford County Avalanche mailed questionnaires to each candidate in a contested August primary election race, and their responses were the basis for the following brief profiles (candidates for supervisor, clerk, and treasurer are featured this week, trustee candidates will be profiled next week):

Lynnette Sue Corlew
Republican

Running For: Supervisor
Lynnette Corlew is a former Grayling Township Board trustee

(1995-1996) and is currently a member of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners.

"I enjoy working for the citizens of this county and know all the experience I have gained serving the county would be a benefit to the township. The township offers a closer working relationship with the general public and I would like to tackle the challenges this relationship would create," Corlew said.

If elected, Corlew said she hopes to accomplish the following: "Promote industry and the new Industrial Park; expand on the grants available to help form a citizen volunteer council to help in emergency situations; establish a local task force to address issues important to Camp Grayling and Grayling Township; continue and improve recycling services, educate the public regarding the health hazards that could affect them and their neighbors if they burn their leaves instead of composting; prioritize zoning issues to clean up the main corridors of Grayling Township, expanding outward as funding allows; establish a separate zoning department to address these issues; work with the road commission to identify the improvements needed for roads of Grayling Township and help fund improvements; work in partnership with Crawford County to allow the expansion of MSU Extension services (this expansion should include family support programs); promote a ballot proposal to expand the township board of trustees from two trustees to four. This would allow an expanded voice from the citizens of this township and the full and part time elected officials would no longer have the ability to have the majority vote. This would also protect the officials that work together in the township offices against possible Open Meetings Act violations."

The main issues facing Grayling Township are: "Funding issues similar to the county and the additional needs of a fire



Lynnette Sue Corlew

department; burial services, trash, and recycling services; the need to maintain the township park; the need to attract industry to the Industrial Park; economic development; zoning issues; Lake Margrethe issues; road endings, environmental concerns, police patrols on the lake and river; balancing the protection of our waterways with the need to attract tourism by the promotion of the same waterways."

According to Corlew, the main issues facing Crawford County are: "Poverty, the lack of family-sustaining jobs, economic development; reductions in state revenue sharing; elimination by the state of PILT taxes; passage of 911 surcharge; passage of library millage; resolution of county/court funding dispute; need to have 24-hour police patrol; completion of a market study to address the issues surrounding the relocation of the courthouse; the ADA issues that need to be addressed in our current building; the need to relocate animal shelter operations; need for a full-time animal control officer position."

"I would like to add, by all levels of government working together, Grayling would become everyone's destination, not just an exit to somewhere else," she said.

Corlew is married to Michael Corlew and has two children: Matt and Caylee. She enjoys reading, collecting antique books,

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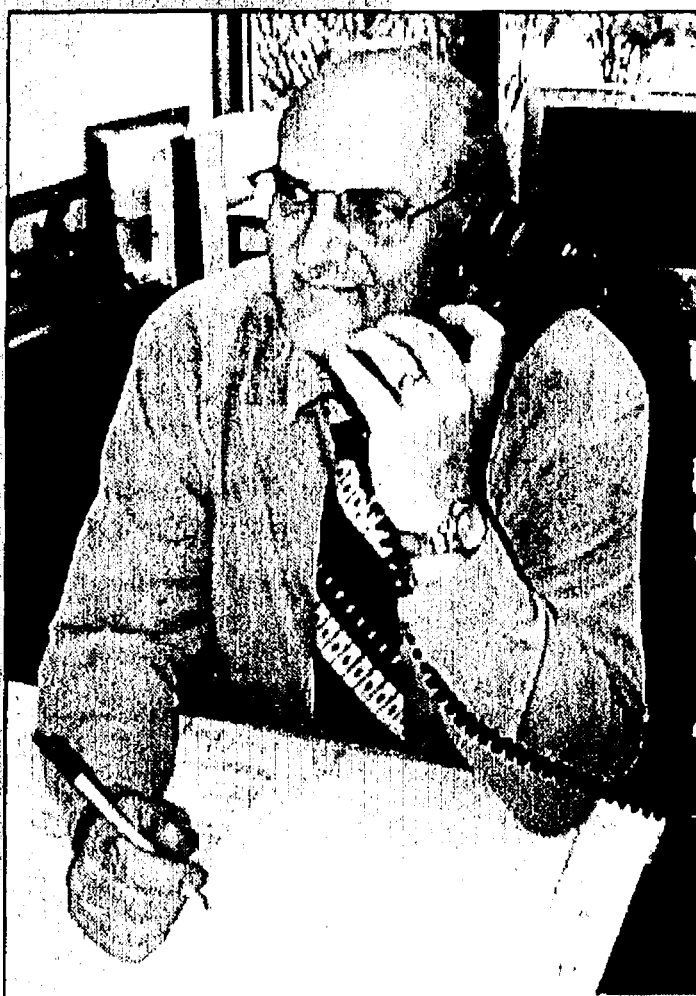
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TO THE VOTERS OF GRAYLING TOWNSHIP

The Primary Election is just around the corner. The position of Grayling Township Supervisor will be decided by your votes on August 3rd. I would like to convince you that I have earned your vote to continue as your Township Representative. Here are 50 reasons why I think you should vote for me. Each task has played a role in making me a better supervisor and making Grayling Township a better place to live.

CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING UNDER MY LEADERSHIP:

1. Reviewed and updated township policies and procedures
2. Expanded the parking lot at the town hall
3. Developed an internet web page
4. Developed a 5-year maintenance program for the town hall
5. Constructed a new fire station
6. Reviewed the need for a fire department substation
7. Developed a township park
8. Developed a township master plan
9. Helped develop a program for non-motorized pathways
10. Wrote a 20-year recreation plan
11. Worked with residents to pave Whirlpool Road, Palmer Place, Woodland Drive. Currently investigating the need to repave Margrethe Boulevard, South Stephan Bridge Road, Shaw Park Road, and roads in Mobile Estates and Sherwood Forest.
12. Currently serve on the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments, Regional Economic Development Action Committee
13. Improved the roads in Elmwood Cemetery
14. Was named a recipient of the American Homeownership Leadership Award for outstanding leadership in America's small communities
15. Beginning expansion program of Elmwood Cemetery
16. Worked with DNR to develop program for industrial and commercial land acquisitions along Four Mile Road
17. Worked through Ordinance Enforcement Bureau to clean up blighted properties
18. Investigated the need for local municipal water and sewer systems
19. Investigated the need to become a charter township
20. Developed and implemented a comprehensive recycling and composting program
21. Worked with consultants to update the Grayling Township Zoning Ordinance
22. Served as secretary to the township board of tax review
23. Reviewed and updated all township user fee schedules
24. Currently serve on the Crawford County Brownfield Redevelopment Committee
25. Developed a township newsletter
26. Was named a fellow to the Michigan Political Leadership Program through Michigan State University
27. Developed a program to abate soil erosion and storm water runoff at selected Lake Margrethe road ends



"Terry has brought vision and determination to a position which had remained dormant for many years. Because of his work, Grayling Township now has a long-range, strategic plan for the future. I believe Terry will hold his current office for many years."

28. Rewrote employee handbook
29. Wrote a nudity and adult entertainment regulatory ordinance
30. Working to rewrite policies and procedures for fire department
31. Was elected to the board of directors of the Michigan Townships Participating Plan, the company which provides risk insurance to almost all townships and many other municipal groups
32. Added 40 feet to the township meeting room to meet current and future needs
33. Developed and implemented a woods cleanup program
34. Worked with Sheriff Department to provide a dedicated police officer for 4 years
35. Rewrote the fire protection agreement between the City of Grayling and Grayling Township
36. Worked with local committee to develop an M-72 streetscape program
37. Incorporated a traffic management access program into the township master plan
38. Currently serve as the Chairman of the Crawford County Economic Development Partnership
39. Was named state treasurer of Michigan Association of
40. Working with lake property owners to determine the need for a road end regulatory ordinance
41. Developed annual strategic planning session
42. Worked with assessor's office to earn level I and level II assessor's certification
43. Attended numerous educational seminars through the Michigan Townships Association
44. Administered the township zoning ordinance as the Zoning Administrator
45. Developed program to install several new "dry" fire hydrants through the township fire department on local lakes and streams
46. Won the O.B. Smith Environmental Award for Excellence
47. Wrote grant application winning \$389,500 for specific township projects
48. Was awarded grant totaling \$389,500 for specific township projects
49. Received an "Outstanding Recognition" award from the Crawford County Board of Commissioners
50. Presided over 96 consecutive, monthly meetings of the Grayling Township Board of Trustees

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drawing and painting, playing the piano, gardening, volunteering in the community, designing and creating stained glass windows, and swimming.

Terry Wright

Republican (Incumbent)
Running For: Supervisor

Terry Wright has served as the Grayling Township Supervisor for eight years.

"In the past eight years, the Grayling Township Board of Trustees has approved a very progressive agenda of service to township residents. It has been my privilege and pleasure to be the instrument through which that agenda has been developed and implemented. I wish to continue that progressive agenda we have worked so hard to achieve in an effort to maintain Grayling Township's position as a leader among local governments in building constituent satisfaction with needed government services. I enjoy the job and I work hard at being good at it," Wright said.

"My number one priority is to build an economic base which provides environmentally clean and safe jobs for our unemployed and underemployed. These jobs must pay a living wage and provide, at a minimum, family benefits which include comprehensive health insurance. The Four Mile Road Industrial Park could go a long way to solving this problem, but our work is not done. Now we are developing a professional means to recruit new businesses and retain those we already have through the Crawford County Economic Development Partnership.

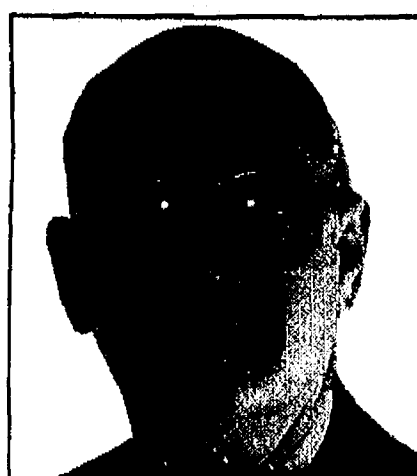
"My second priority is to not raise taxes. Grayling Township receives slightly less than one mill for operating expenses and I don't want to see it raised. Thankfully, the township is financially sound and responsible, so a tax increase is not on the horizon despite the severe cuts we have taken in state revenue sharing. That doesn't mean that one day the township may not have to ask residents for a special assessment for fire and police services, or special road projects, but fortunately that day is also a long time away and when it does come, the decision will be up to those who benefit from the service.

"The amount of junk and garbage people accumulate and throw away is staggering. I will continue to search for ways to increase awareness about how and what can be reused and recycled, and I will continue to deal with those who insist on polluting our neighborhoods with unsightly messes in their yards. This is a tough issue because civil laws have no teeth behind them, but Grayling Township is gaining ground every day. I am working with our legislators in Lansing to find a more efficient way to make blight penalties work.

"Roads are always a high priority. Road repair is so expensive now that the road commission is stretched very thin, and is not able to resurface and repair roads as soon as necessary. Grayling Township has contributed a lot of money to public, township road projects in the last few years. I mean to encourage the continuation of that practice.

"I will continue to improve the Grayling Township Nature Park at every chance with recreational paths and general park facilities. It's a good park and I would like to see it grow in conjunction with the Grayling Fish Hatchery to become a great and safe place for the family to spend an hour, or an entire day.

"I hope to propose a community, indoor, swimming facility at the corner of North Down River Road and Robert's Road. I think it can be done over a period of three to five years through grants, contributions, and fund raisers. I would like to see a facility which would serve everyone from baby swimmers, to senior exercisers, to high school competitors. Health, fitness, and recreation are pretty good services to the people and a community pool has always been the number one priority on community surveys. Grayling Township can do it.



Terry Wright



Monica Ashton



Phyllis A. Huffman

"It is also my intent to make the Grayling City/Township Fire Department the best led, best equipped and best trained group of on-call volunteers in northern Michigan. Their lives and our lives depend on it.

"Crawford County is facing very tough budget problems which have affected county-wide police protection. I would hate to see the voters wait until after a major tragedy happens to pass the necessary county millage which will put our policemen back on the streets and in our neighborhoods on a 24-hour per day basis.

"Throughout my terms as supervisor, I have maintained a policy to work for the benefit of Crawford County residents with all other local, state, and federal governments and all public and private organizations. It is, and has always been, my belief that what is good for the people in any township or city in Crawford County is good for the people of Grayling Township," Wright said.

Wright and his wife Linda have three children and seven grandchildren.

In his spare time, Wright enjoys boating and hiking.

Monica Ashton

Republican (Incumbent)
Running For: Clerk

Monica Ashton, the current Grayling Township clerk, said her priority, if elected, is "continuing financial accountability, keeping Grayling Township fiscally sound but progressive."

"Although most people know clerks run elections and take minutes many don't realize that a township clerk's most demanding responsibility is as the accountant, balancing the general ledgers of various township funds and providing financial statements, doing payrolls, and administering insurance, pension, and many other miscellaneous programs," she said.

Ashton said she wants to continue to hold public office because of her "devotion to the people (and) lands and waters of this area. I am seeing the federal and state laws trickle down and remove local control from our residents and property owners. I believe in protecting the rights of the public to responsibly use and enjoy the public lands and rights-of-way."

The main problems facing the county right now are: "Dealing with lower revenue sharing and state payments in lieu of taxes on state land while having to find funds to administer and enforce laws and regulations passed by a legislature that does not deal with the difficulties and expenses of implementation and enforcement.

Securing funding to provide local services without raising taxes at the local level is something I'm sure county administrators lose sleep over. These problems also affect our townships and cities," Ashton said.

The main problems facing Grayling Township: "(1) Unimproved or deteriorating roads. Although the road commission does a good job with available funds, the maintenance and improvement of our road system is an ongoing search for resources to fund repairs of public roads. Owners of property on private roads would also like to see improvements and the township can assist with creation of private road maintenance special assessment districts upon receiving a petition by these property owners. (2) Attracting good jobs to the area. Our industrial and commercial park is in place at Four Mile Road but we are having difficulty getting prospective businesses to purchase land from the state. (3) Fire department, 911 emergency services, and sheriff's department need to stay updated so they can respond in a timely manner. We have qualified, dedicated employees and volunteers. We need to continuously seek ways to supply the equipment to do the job. (4) Keeping the area attractive for the residents and tourism industry. (5) Keeping refuse and recycling fees at a minimum but cover costs."

Ashton has a son, Matt, and a granddaughter, Mikaela.

"My favorite leisure activity is spending time with my family. When that is not possible, it is gardening - encouraging things to grow in this Grayling sand. Next, it's the water - canoeing, kayaking, assisting and cheering on my son in his running of the AuSable River Canoe Marathon. I love fishing, too, but find little time to pursue that pastime," she said.

Phyllis A. Huffman

Republican
Running For: Clerk

Phyllis A. Huffman is a school teacher at Calvary Baptist Academy.

"I have no formal experience in an elected position, but what I do have is common-sense, organizational skills, and a willingness to serve," she said. "I look forward to the opportunity to contribute to development of Grayling Township in the areas of economic growth and quality of life. I will bring my life's skills as a mother, teacher, and veteran to the position of township clerk so the council will be more able to serve the community."

"The main issue that is facing Crawford County right now is the lack of economic growth and

development that will bring new residences and families to Crawford County. (Also), the building of facilities to attract sportsmen and outdoor recreational users to the area. In doing the above, this would help out on creating more jobs for the people of Crawford County," Huffman said.

The main problems facing the township: "(1) Grayling Township needs to address the issue in which a lack of programs and facilities are not available for use by younger adults and teenagers. (2) Also, consideration for expanding the law enforcement coverage to provide 24-hour service. (3) Grayling Township faces the same issue as Crawford County, and that is the lack of economic growth and development."

Huffman has three daughters and is engaged to Robert T. Brinker Jr.

In her spare time, she enjoys target shooting, riding quads, reading, swimming, beading, and gardening.

Ruth O'Mara

Republican (Incumbent)
Running For: Treasurer

Ruth O'Mara has served as the Grayling Township clerk for 20 years.

"When I was appointed to this job everything was done by hand. It took hours to balance and come up with totals. I helped make the transition to computer databases, and I have developed a lot of techniques to handle any problems that occur. If I can remain your treasurer, I will continue to improve service to the people of Grayling Township," O'Mara said.

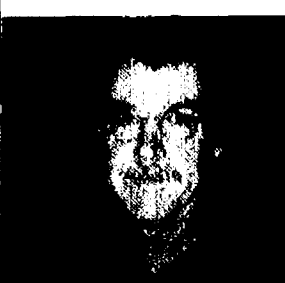
"The high cost of garbage disposal, uncertain state revenue funding, and especially escalating insurance costs are problems for the township. Another is the problem associated with the lake. These are all complicated issues

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Going to a ballgame? "Hot dog!"

By Ernie Harwell

Hot dogs are as American as baseball. The National Hot Dog and Sausage Council estimates fans ate 25.9 million hot dogs in major league ballparks in 2003. That's down from the 26.3 million eaten in 2002 - but still enough to stretch from Dodgers' Stadium in Los Angeles to Yankee Stadium in New York City.

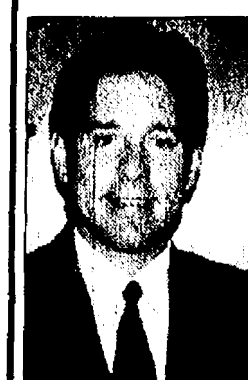
Now, I'm not about to knock an American institution, but I do want to get a plug in for moderation. After all, the average regular beef hot dog contains 150 calories and 13 grams of fat. Wrapping it in a plain white bread bun adds 100 calories and 1.5 more grams of fat. A tablespoon each of ketchup, mustard, onions and relish adds at least another 50 calories. Throwing on an ounce of cheddar cheese adds another 120 calories and 10 grams of fat. So a hot dog with all the fixings can add up to more than 420 calories and 24 grams of fat - and a day's total allowance of sodium!

For the average person who eats plenty of fruits and veggies and watches fat and sodium intake, routing for the home team is more fun with a hot dog, maybe even some peanuts and Kracker Jacks - in moderation.

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Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 55 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns entitled "Life After Baseball," is available at local bookstores or by calling 1-800-245-5082.

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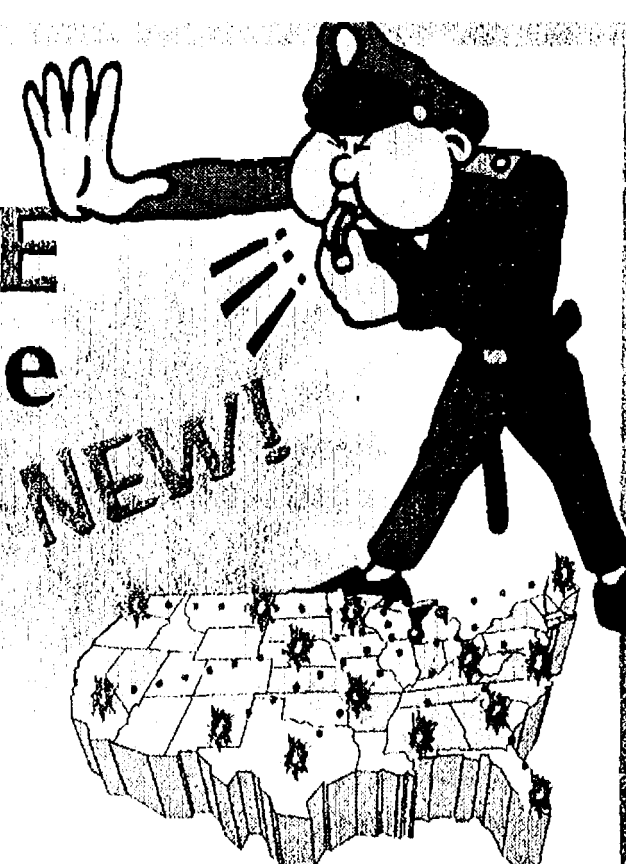
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demanding our attention," O'Mara said.

"I love to work with township residents, helping with necessary forms, mortgage company problems, and tax issues in general," O'Mara said. "I am not ready to sit around the house and look like part of the furniture. I have just had surgery and my doctor said to exercise, eat healthy, and keep a positive attitude. My positive attitude is to look forward to serving the people of Grayling Township for another four years."

O'Mara and her husband of 48 years, Bill O'Mara, have six children, 21 grandchildren, and soon-to-be eight great grandchildren.

Hobbies and pastimes: "I like to go for a walk, ride my bike,

cross country ski, work jigsaw puzzles and crossword puzzles. On a hot evening I like to 'river sit' and on cool evenings I like to sit by a bonfire," O'Mara said.

Cheryll Ruley
Republican

Running For: Treasurer

Cheryll Ruley, a bookkeeper and journalist, has served on the Community Corrections Board, the Christian Youth Activity Center Board, the Grayling Fish Hatchery Restoration Steering Committee, and is currently the secretary/treasurer of the Animal Shelter of Crawford County.

"If elected, I hope to expand the hours of the Grayling Township treasurer's office, making its services and information available a greater amount of time each week. To better serve everyone, perhaps some Saturday hours should be considered. As a voting member of the township board, I hope to stay in touch with citizens, property and business owners, taking seriously their concerns and suggestions no matter where their home or business is located within the township. My goal is to provide accurate accounting and guardianship of your township assets, and service with a smile," Ruley said.

"I would like to serve as Grayling Township Treasurer because I feel strongly about my community and its future. Though most people know me from my six-and-a-half years writing for the local newspaper, my background is in accounting, including for First Federal of Michigan as an expense account



Ruth O'Mara



Cheryll Ruley

analyst and with the Department of Defense (DOD) in the Navy Family Nursing Office at NAS Alameda, California. My duties with the DOD included management of projects to improve living conditions for military families in 1,200 units, complaint and conflict resolution, collections, and earthquake recovery (October 17, 1989)," she said. "I'm ready to provide the same dedicated service to Grayling Township residents and business owners as I did for military families, the bank's employees and departments, and most recently, the readers of the *Crawford County Avalanche*."

"The reduction in revenues from state sources that is putting a real bind on local budgets seems to be the main problem in our county, city, townships, and school system. The state and federal governments need to pay their fair share for the local land it holds in our county - open to public use, logging, and drilling, activities which all bring revenue to the state, but limited and decreasing contributions to the municipalities in which they are

located. The local citizenry has felt the effects of this revenue limitation on a daily basis, from limited funding for road repairs to lack of 24-hour road patrol by our sheriff's office," Ruley said.

"Perhaps the most noticeable problem facing Grayling Township is the lack of businesses moving into the Four Mile Road Industrial Park. It is a great location for light industrial and other businesses in a controlled growth atmosphere, and could provide jobs for our citizens. We need to work together diligently to find a way to fulfill the promise of this industrial park for the good of all. Also, informed decisions should be made by the township board to avoid lawsuits and their high costs. The township's website needs to be updated on a regular basis, with meeting dates and minutes posted, in order to provide better communication with its residents and property owners. The township must also continue its work with citizens and groups to ensure the environmental health of our land and waterways," she said.

"Because of the dangers of terrorism in our world today, I feel it is very important for Grayling Township to be involved in emergency preparedness, working with local law enforcement, firefighters, and Camp Grayling officials and personnel. Regardless of our rural surroundings, we must be prepared for an emergency or disaster. I look forward to helping this community in any way I can, both in the event of an emergency and in every day business," Ruley said.

Ruley and her husband of 24 years, SCPO Mark Ruley USN (Ret.), have two adult children, Karyn and Kim.

Hobbies and pastimes: "I am a 'news junkie' and enjoy reading and discussing issues. I also enjoy communicating with family and friends via the internet, as well as online journaling. I get great satisfaction from supporting my family members in meeting their goals and dreams, and working with local groups to help support our community through volunteerism," Ruley said.

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Spike's Challenge races to kick off canoe racing action

Marathon warm-up races to be held this weekend

C-1 race and C-2 sprints set for July 17, C-2 race starts July 18

The Spike's Challenge Paddler Tribute races – which include both a C-1 and C-2 event – will help kick off the AuSable River Festival this weekend starting with the C-2 race's sprints for position on Saturday, July 17.

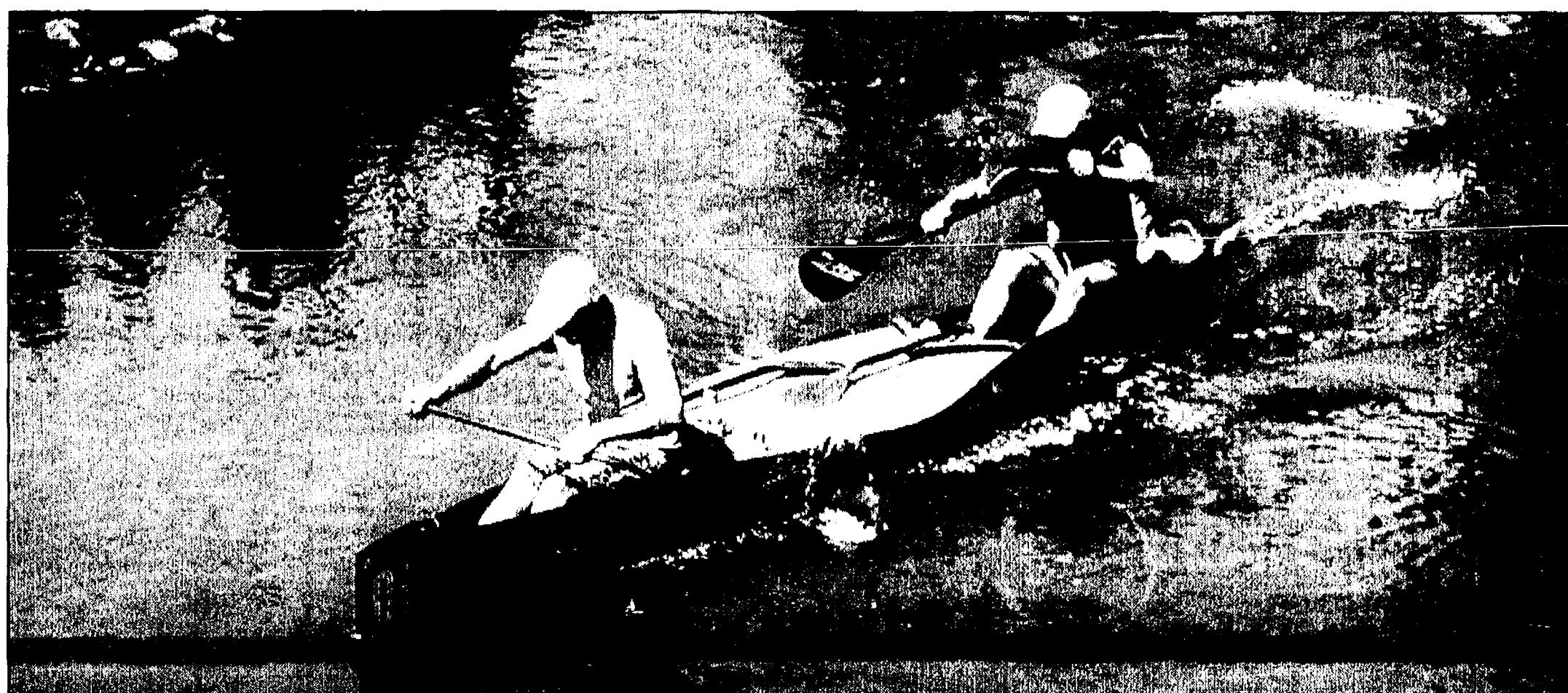
Sprints for starting position, a unique event that includes paddling upstream and downstream, will start at 9 a.m. on Saturday morning and continue into the afternoon. At sprints, paddling teams break from the starting line (near the pedestrian bridge at the city park), paddle upstream, navigate the area under the railroad bridge, turn around at a buoy near the county building, and paddle back downstream to the starting line.

Sprint times determine starting positions for the LeMans-style run to the river during the start of the C-2 race on Sunday.

The 2004 Spike's Challenge C-1 race will start at 6 p.m. on Saturday, July 17, at Borchers AuSable Canoe Livery and end at Burton's Landing. Teams will finish in 40 minutes to 1:20, approximately.

Jeff Kolka won last year's C-1 race, followed by Bill Torongo, Ken Kolonich, and Tom Trudgeon. Connie Cannon won the women's division, followed by Beth Schluter, Roxanne Barton, and Lynne Witte.

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(Above) Andy Triebold and Steve Lajoie approach the finish line during the 2003 Spike's Challenge C-2 race. Triebold and Lajoie placed first in the event. (Below) Jeff Kolka finishes first in the 2003 Spike's Challenge C-1 race.



Ken Kolonich and Jeff Kolka maintain a narrow lead over Mo Harwood and Matt Rimer just past Burton's Landing in last year's Spike's Challenge C-2 race. Kolka and Kolonich finished second in the event and the team of Harwood and Rimer took third.



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The women's skeet shooting group stands with shotguns in hand. (L to R) Jan Richards, Pat Schmid, Jamie Richards, Jackie Slabaugh, Coach - Bill Bishop, Marlene Greene and Carol Waltz. Missing are Alice Foley, Carole Herdrich, Maureen Otterson and Sharon Mowery. New members are always welcome to join the club, which shoots in the spring, summer and fall.

Women's skeet shooting group open to new members

by Matt Seager
 Staff Writer

A group of shotgun wielding women, most of whom are from Crawford County, are meeting every Tuesday at the Grayling Sportsmen Club to blast skeets into bits.

"It's a real challenge," said group founder Pat Schmid. Schmid founded the group with some friends in order to learn more about a sport that is enjoyed by her husband. Schmid wanted to try out her husband's skeet shooting hobby at her own pace.

"The reason for a women's group is because it can be intimidating to shoot with the men," said Schmid. The group gives women who are interested in shooting the opportunity to learn at their own pace.

"Shooting with a bunch of women who all started in the same place makes it more comfortable," said Schmid. Women in the group encourage each other to succeed, but there is a degree of friendly competition as well.

The group is assisted by Bill Bishop, a NSCA certified level 1 shooting instructor. According to Schmid, Bishop is very helpful and patient.

"We give him a lot of grief,

too," said Schmid. The group shoots from late April to early October, taking a break in the winter.

This October, the group will finish its fifth year.

"The fact that we're into our fifth year is a testimony to the fact that we're having a good time," said Schmid. Most members are from Crawford County, with three from Houghton Lake and one from West Branch. Any women who are interested are welcome to join the group. To join, call Schmid at 348-2639 or Bishop at 348-3948.

"It's good to have more women involved in the shooting sports," said Schmid.

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GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

Submitted by Donna Thomson
 Wednesday Ladies League

Well our warmth was fleeting. We golfed with an awful lot of cloud cover and the sun never peeked out once, but at least it didn't rain on us on Wednesday, July 7.

Our players of the week this time are in Flight A, Jeanette Kitchen with a low net of 33 and Treva McClanahan who had low putts of 15.

In Flight B, there was a two-way tie for low net of 33 between Sherry Hanson and Mickey Perez. Deanne Weiss took low putts of 14.

In Flight C, Sharon France had a low net of 35 while there was a three-way tie for low putts of 16 between Sue Brenner, Mo McNamara and Gloria Nielson.

We had only one birdie today and that was by Deanne Weiss on #11.

There was a great chip-in on #13 by Jill Anderson, and you guess it - I witnessed this one too!

Another thing I can attest to is the incredible use of woods by Wendy Kucharek. You must ask her about this.

After we were all in, we had a lunch of taco salad and cookies for dessert. Then Bev Zimmerman of the golf committee announced that starting next week will be our handicap tournament for us Wednesday girls, so check the board and get your games in at the proper time. In a few weeks I will give you the results.

That's all "fore now."

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Little League All-Stars



Grayling Little League's major league all-star team: (front, left to right) Joey Contreras, Jensen Aubry, Spencer Dean, Joey Krupp, Tyler Hanson, Eric Ferrigan; (middle, left to right) Dylan Jensen, Mykel Revord, Colin Hamlin, Zack Wolcott; (back, left to right) Coaches Tim Jensen, Paul Hamlin, Rob Aubry. Not pictured: Kyle McQueen. The squad placed third in the Lewiston district pool play.

Roscommon Soccer Organization to host camp

Roscommon Youth Soccer Organization (RYSO) and Britannia Soccer USA, the preferred camp provider for AYSO (American Youth Soccer Organization), will be hosting a community soccer camp from July 26 to July 30 at RYSO Rotary Soccer Fields.

The camp is open to boys and girls, ages 5 to 18 years, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, each day. There is also a mini-camp for ages 4-6 from either 9-10:30 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon.

Britannia's innovative coaching methods teach young players the techniques and tactics of soccer through fun and innovative practices and games.

"We are very excited about coming to Roscommon and we are looking forward to working with the players. It is a great soccer area and the players always

seem to have a real desire to learn and have a great sense of fun. Our staff really enjoy the local hospitality and are always made most welcome," said Barry Scott, Britannia Soccer Regional Manager.

The local camp coordinator, Stephanie Matuzak, secretary on the RYSO board, is also thrilled by the prospect of the camp. "It really is a great opportunity for our local players to experience professional coaching and a very positive physical activity over the summer break. The Britannia staff is tremendously dedicated and even though they work on a wide range of skills, they create an atmosphere that makes the whole thing fun," Matuzak said.

In addition to the soccer coaching, Britannia also hosts a free coach's course that will take place during the week of the

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GRA MEN'S SOFTBALL

Grayling Recreation Authority Men's Softball League results for week #7: On Tuesday, SMK defeated American Legion 19-12, 16-4 in a doubleheader. On Wednesday, McClain & Son won both games vs. Kodiak Group 20-8, 19-13. 2 Track Inn had byes for the week.

GRA Men's Softball League results for week #8: On Tuesday, SMK and Kodiak split, with Kodiak winning game one 14-6 and SMK winning the second game by a final score of 17-10. On Wednesday, 2 Track Inn won both games vs. American Legion

16-4 and 38-8. McClain & Son had byes for the week.

On Thursday, the league conducted its annual all-star game and home run derby. Dave Burr of McClain & Son won the home run derby.

Current League Standings:

Team	W/L
McClain & Son	13-3
2 Track Inn	12-4
SMK	10-6
Kodiak Group	8-8
American Legion	5-11

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"These have been acquired at incredible savings from banks (repos), factory auctions and other sources," Brad Scheer, owner of Scheer Motors said. "Our creditors have asked us to sacrifice this inventory immediately - regardless of loss of profit. If that means selling these vehicles for near or below wholesale, then that is what we will do."

Every bank repo and other pre-owned vehicle will be available

for just \$29 plus a fee* and then start making payments. "It's just that simple," said Scheer. "To make these bargains even easier, we'll mark the payment right on the windshield. Just pick a car and a payment. You won't find a faster easier way to get a great deal on a pre-owned vehicle." Almost every type and price range will be available, from luxury, to 4x4's, to basic transportation. "With pre-owned vehicles near an all time high, chances are we will have what you are looking for in stock and ready to drive home," Scheer said.

A.C.E. of North America has flown in extra financial staff from three states to assure Scheer Motors of Grayling customers prompt, courteous service and the best financial terms possible. Scheer said, "We will have over \$5 million in financing available for this event. So chances are we can arrange financing for just about anyone who is employed, regardless of past history."

All trade-ins will be accepted with a minimum \$2500 guaranteed value and customers are encouraged to bring their titles or payment book to expedite immediate delivery of these vehicles.

"The opportunity bargain-hunters have been waiting for is here, Monday through Saturday in Grayling. Every bank repo and other used vehicle is just \$29 and then start making payments. Customers won't find a faster easier way to save big money on a great used vehicle," Scheer said.

After the mega-sale ends at 4 p.m. Saturday, July 24, Scheer Motors of Grayling will send many of these vehicles to auction. Any questions can be directed to 1-989-348-5451. Scheer Motors of Grayling is located at 829 I-75 Business Loop in Grayling, Michigan. The hours of this sale will be Monday through Thursday 9am-8pm; Fri 9-6 Sat 9-4

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## Lynnette Corlew

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  - ◆ Practiced emergency preparedness
  - ◆ Planned security for the Courthouse
  - ◆ Established Citizen Advisory Committees
  - ◆ Developed annual Environmental Grants
  - ◆ Created literacy programs resulting in 3,000 new books for local children
  - ◆ Acquired state land for the relocation of the animal shelter
- Helped initiate the following:
- ◆ Judicial Committee to aid county-court relations
  - ◆ Grayling Township Master Plan (1996)
  - ◆ Grayling Township Industrial Park agreement with D.N.R.
  - ◆ Economic Planning Committee
  - ◆ Community Assessment Team Visit

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## Youth race set for Friday, July 23

**Four-division canoe race is open to boys and girls ages 12-17**

Borchers AuSable Canoe Livery's annual youth canoe race, which is open to young paddlers ages 12-17, will start at 10 a.m. on Friday, July 23. The race starts at Borchers and ends at Burton's Landing, with most canoes arriving at the finish line between 11 a.m. and 12 p.m., approximately.

Registration fee is \$20 per two-person team. Sign up at Borchers AuSable Canoe Livery.

The race will include four divisions: boys 16-17 (10 a.m. start); boys 14-15 (10:10 a.m. start); boys 12-13 (10:20 a.m. start); girls 12-17 (10:30 start).

T-shirts will be distributed to all competitors before the race and awards will be given to the first, second, and third place finishers in each division during the AuSable River Canoe Marathon's pre-race program.

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## Spike's Challenge races to kick off canoe racing action on July 17-18

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The 2004 Spike's Challenge C-2 race will get under way at 9 a.m. on Sunday, July 18. The paddling teams will line up according to their sprint times and run to the AuSable River at Ray's Canoe Livery for the start of the race.

The race ends at McMasters Bridge.

Andy Triebold and Steve Lajoie won last year's Spike's Challenge C-2 race. Jeff Kolka and Ken Kolonich placed second, and Matt Rimer and Mo Harwood took third.

The Spike's Challenge Paddler

Tribute races are treated by many paddlers and race fans as a warm-up to the AuSable River Canoe Marathon. The AuSable Marathon will conduct its time trials/sprints for starting position on Thursday, July 22, (5-8 p.m.) and Friday, July 23, (2-6 p.m.) at Penrod's. The 2004 AuSable River Canoe Marathon starts at 9 p.m. on Saturday, July 24, and ends in Oscoda on Sunday morning.

For more on the AuSable River Canoe Marathon, contact the race office at 348-4425 or visit the event's website:

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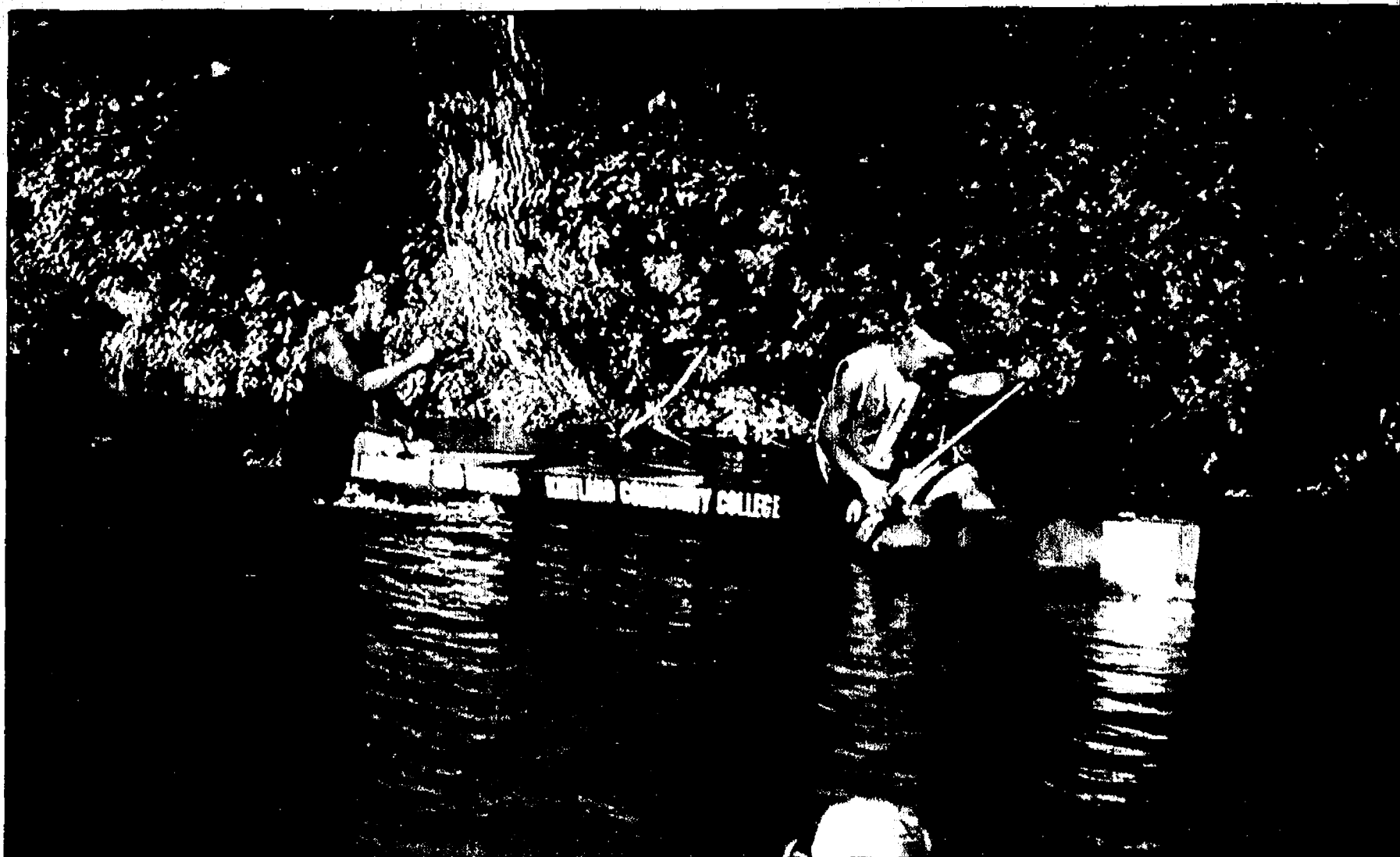
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Hank Feldhauser and Jon Thompson approach the finish line at last year's time trials.

## Marathon racing starts with time trials next week

**Sprints to be held on Thursday and Friday, July 22 and 23**

The excitement is building throughout northern Michigan as the clock ticks down toward the start of North America's richest, toughest, non-stop marathon canoe race -- the \$50,000 Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon.

This year's AuSable Canoe Marathon racing action gets under way next week with the Time Trials/Sprints for Position, which will be held at Penrod's on

July 22 and 23.

This year, the time trials will have sponsorship from a local business for the first time.

"The Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon Committee is proud to announce the addition of Scott McNamara Ford-Mercury as the sponsor of the Time Trials/Sprints for Position," the committee said.

Scott McNamara Ford-Mercury of Grayling is the new sponsor for the sprints for position, which will take place at Penrod's Canoe Livery from 5-8 p.m. on Thursday, July 22, and 2-

6 p.m. on Friday, July 23.

The Time Trials/Sprints for Position are run on a looped course on the AuSable River, and times determine paddling teams' starting position for the 57th Weyerhaeuser AuSable River Canoe Marathon's run to the river start on Saturday, July 24 (9 p.m.).

"We are delighted to have Scott McNamara Ford-Mercury as a sponsor for the sprints for position and will be adopting the Time Trials name to the title Sprints for Position, reflecting the sponsor's obvious affiliation

to the auto industry," said Tim Zigala Marathon, Committee Co-Chair.

"This is an opportunity, we as a local business could not pass up," said Wayne Metzger, project coordinator for Scott McNamara Ford-Mercury. "All of the employees here at the dealership are excited to be a part of the Marathon and the Time Trials/Sprints for Position."

For more on the AuSable River Canoe Marathon, contact the race office at 348-4425 or visit the event's website:

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Paddlers get into the river at Ray's for the start of the 2003 Marathon.

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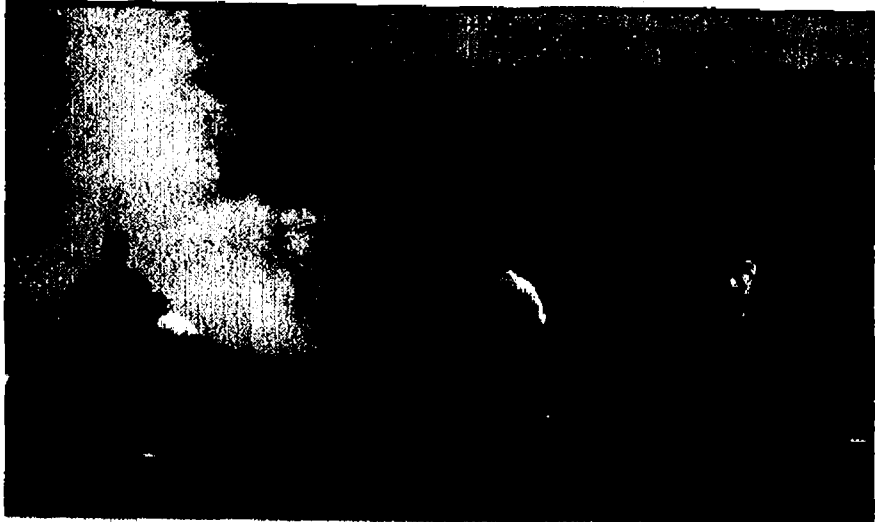
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A participant fires a cannon down range. Cannons from this era are fired by use of a pull string, not a fuse. The string is pulled from the side to avoid kick back.



Spectators watch the action from a safe distance. Many brought binoculars or small telescopes to get a better view. Ear plugs were also used by many to reduce the noise level.

## Historic artillery match a real blast

by Matt Seager  
Staff Writer

Cannons blazed in fierce competition on July 10 and 11 as teams played the ultimate game of target practice. It was a historic artillery match held at a Camp Grayling firing range, featuring authentic cannons firing live ammunition.

The match, which was sponsored by Loomis' Battery of Michigan Light Artillery in cooperation with Camp Grayling, attracted 110 registered participants and a crowd of around 500 spectators over the weekend.

"I just love shooting anything that shoots, and the bigger the better," said Event Director Matt Switlik. The larger cannons at the event could fire accurately at over 1,000 yards. The match also featured other historic artillery, including mortars and howitzers.

"More people are wanting to do it," said Switlik. The participants were divided into roughly 15 teams. The teams then competed in different event categories depending on the size and type of their guns. For most matches, competitors were given fifteen rounds and assigned a target. Whichever team hit its target the most times won.

"Historical artillery lost its military value 150 years ago. We're following an established path and taking a weapon and making it into a hobby," said Switlik. He explained that many historical weapons are utilized for recreational purposes once they outlive their military value. This has happened with javelins, bows and other weapons. Historic artillery emerged as a hobby in the 1950s, and continues to grow in popularity.

"I think people are often attracted to cannons that aren't

interested in other shooting devices," said Switlik. Indeed, there is something about seeing the massive guns blast targets with a deafening roar that is uniquely fascinating. People from across the country must agree, because even though most teams were from Michigan, some traveled from Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois and Tennessee just to participate in the two day event.

"I want to carry the history on for my kids," said historic artillery participant Patty Poe. The artillery used at the shoot was mostly from the Civil War to Spanish-American War time periods. Many teams dressed in military uniforms that were appropriate for this period of American history.

"These guys figured it out without a stopwatch," said Poe. Participants line up their shots the old fashioned way, and had to

account for round velocity, trajectory of the shell, wind speed and other factors.

"There's a lot more math involved than people think," said Poe. Most teams in the event were composed of veterans who have an average of at least ten years of artillery shooting experience. Thus, spectators had the opportunity to see the very best teams at work.

The event was made possible by Camp Grayling and the Michigan National Guard, who provided access to the range, facilities and other support.

"They've been very helpful all the way through," said Switlik regarding the Camp Grayling military personnel. The match is expected to return to Grayling next year, with even more explosive action in store for spectators. What is the main reason why it is worth checking out? Poe simply said, "It's fun."

## Grayling Garden Walk featured color and style

by Matt Seager  
Staff Writer

Over 100 people spent last Sunday afternoon exploring vast and intricate gardens at the Sixth Annual Grayling Garden Walk. The walk, which was hosted by the Beyond the Garden Wall Garden Club, was an opportunity for guests to relax and enjoy nature's more colorful side.

"The gardens are just something I love to do," said Bev Shinoski, whose garden was one of the five featured at the walk. Shinoski's garden featured a wide variety of flowers, with diversity being key to its unique look. Many who were attracted to the walk came for inspiration on how to turn their own gardens into beautiful masterpieces.

"Being back to nature is really where it's at," said garden owner Ernie Dawson. The walk featured the gardens of Shinoski, Dawson, Dianna Tolbert, Pat Teal, Phyllis Erb and Art and Mary Jane Thayer. Owners of all five gardens emphasized the importance of relaxation and appreciation of nature. Most said that one of the main reasons they garden is to slow down and relieve the stress of everyday responsibilities.

"It's really rewarding when the list of things you have to do is completed," said garden owner Phyllis Erb. A great deal of work goes into these creations. Dianna Tolbert estimates that she spends about twenty hours a week tending to her garden. For those who are unable to put this kind of time into their own gardens, the Grayling Garden Walk was a great opportunity to see what can be accomplished with enough dedication.

"The time spent outdoors" is what gardener Art Thayer said he enjoys most about his hobby. Thayer offered a slightly different take on the walk, since his

garden featured mostly fruits and vegetables instead of flowers. Thayer, like the other hosts, willingly offered tips and tricks to curious visitors.

"Pay attention to landscaping,"

said Garden Club President Mary Robinson. Carefully placed paths and ornaments completed the featured gardens, reminding guests that there is more to making a great garden than just the



Art Thayer discusses gardening techniques with Garden Walk guests. Thayer grows several food plants, including potatoes, rhubarb, raspberries, green beans and more.

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## NOTICE OF COURT SALE OF REAL ESTATE

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Lots 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, Portage Heights  
County of Crawford, Township of Grayling, City of Grayling, State of MI, 49738

Pursuant to said levy recorded Liber 667, Page 979 Crawford County Register of Deeds. I will offer for sale all rights, title, and interest of the Defendants in the above described land to the highest bidder at the main entrance of the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W Michigan, Grayling, MI, 49738 that being the place holding the Circuit Court for the county of Crawford. On August 19, 2004 at 11:00 in the before noon.

Dated June 23, 2004

Drafted by  
Dennis Marshall  
Crawford County  
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## CIRCUIT COURT SALE

In pursuance and by virtue of a Judgment of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, made and entered on the 11th day of March, A.D., 2004, in a certain cause therein pending, wherein COUNTRY-WIDE HOME LOAN as Servicer, on behalf of WELLS FARGO MINNESOTA, N.A., as Trustee for the DELTA FUNDING HEL TRUST, was the Plaintiff, and CHRISTOPHER S. DUNCKLEY, and LEE ANN DUNCKLEY, were the Defendants.

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Commencing at the SE Corner of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 7, T26N, R2W; thence 14 rods West to the Point of Beginning; thence West 6 rods; thence North 80 rods; thence East 6 rods; thence South 80 rods to the Point of the

Beginning.

More commonly known as 623 East M-72, Grayling, MI 49738 ("Subject Property").

This property may be redeemed during the six (6) months following the sale.

Dated: July 15, 2004  
KIRK WAKEFIELD,  
Sheriff  
TROTTE & TROTT, P.C.  
By: Richard J. Klamka, P62145  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
(248) 593-0496  
T&T #200129083

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## Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

**THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.**

**ATTN PURCHASERS:** This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Laura Ransom, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 14, 2000, and recorded on November 20, 2000 in Liber 523 on Page 128, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Four And 87/100 Dollars (\$49,444.87), including interest at 10% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on August 18, 2004.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 7, Block 12, ROFFEE'S ADDITION to the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 15, 2004  
For more information, please call:  
FCW 248.593.1312  
Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822

File #029043FD1

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## STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CRAWFORD COUNTY

Case No. 04-6402-CH

**JEFFERY M. DEWITT and KAREN L. DEWITT, Plaintiffs,**

**v**  
**INVESTORS SERVICING CORPORATION, a Michigan Corporation, FELIX FRED PRINCE and PATRICIA GAYE PRINCE, Defendants.**

**CAREY & JASKOWSKI, P.L.L.C.**  
By: William L. Carey (P31602)  
Attorney for Plaintiffs  
2373 S. I-75 Business Loop  
P.O. Drawer 667  
Grayling, MI 49738  
(989) 348-5232

**ORDER TO ANSWER**

At a session of said Court held in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan this 17th day of May, 2004.

PRESENT: HONORABLE DENNIS F. MURPHY Circuit Court Judge

UPON A REVIEW of the pleadings filed in the instant matter, including Plaintiff's Petition for Alternate Service, the Court being fully advised in the premises;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that service may be effectuated upon Defendants **Felix Fred Prince, Patricia Gaye Prince, and Investors Servicing Corporation** pursuant to MCR 2.106(E).

IT IS ORDERED that Plaintiffs shall effectuate service over the above-named Defendants by publication in the Crawford County Avalanche once each week for three consecutive weeks directing the Defendants as follows:

TO THE DEFENDANTS, INVESTORS SERVICING CORPORATION, a Michigan corporation and FELIX FRED PRINCE and PATRICIA GAYE PRINCE:

A. You are being sued within the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan;

B. The names of the parties are: Plaintiffs **JEFFERY M. DEWITT and KAREN L. DEWITT** and Defendants **INVESTORS SERVICING CORPORATION, a Michigan corporation and FELIX FRED PRINCE and PATRICIA GAYE PRINCE.**

C. These proceedings are instituted to quiet title to a parcel of real property located in Crawford County, Michigan.

D. That an answer needs to be filed/taken within 28 days at the Crawford County Circuit Court, 200 W. Michigan

Avenue, Grayling, Michigan, 49738, or other action permitted by law or court rule must be taken.

E. That failure to answer or take other action will result in a default being filed against the Defendants, INVESTORS SERVICING CORPORATION, a Michigan corporation and FELIX FRED PRINCE and PATRICIA GAYE PRINCE.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiffs shall:

1. Post a copy of this instant order in the Crawford County Courthouse, United States Post Office for Grayling, Michigan, and the South Branch Township office where the parcel is located for three continuous weeks; and,

2. Send a copy of this instant order to each of the Defendants to his or her last known address by registered mail, return receipt requested prior to the last week of the posting as dictated in Paragraph 1 above; and,

3. Posting a copy of this instant order on the real property which is the subject matter of this litigation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the law offices of **CAREY & JASKOWSKI, P.L.L.C.** may post this instant order and must thereafter file proof of posting.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Hon. Dennis F. Murphy  
Circuit Court Judge  
-1-8-15

## STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

File No. 04-6416-CH

**CPTF-FD LAND, L.L.C., Plaintiff,**

**v**  
**CPTF-FOREST DUNES HOLDING COMPANY, L.L.C., SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP, KENNETH RIEHLE, Chairman, Crawford County Road Commission; JAMES E. BURCH, Drain Commissioner, Crawford County Drain Commission; JAY B. RISING, Treasurer, State of Michigan; GLORIA J. JEFF, Director, Michigan Department of Transportation; REBECCA A. HUMPHRIES, Director Michigan Department of Natural Resources; STEVEN E. CHESTER, Director for the Department of Environmental Quality, CONSUMERS ENERGY; and EDWARD J. WALTON, HIS HEIRS, DEVISEES OR ASSIGNS, Defendants.**

**BRABANT & MANNIKKO, P.L.L.C.**  
By: Gerard F. Brabant P31123  
Attorney for Plaintiffs  
241 Lake Street, P.O. Box 35  
Roscommon, MI 48653  
(989) 275-4365

**ORDER TO ANSWER**

On the 19th day of May, 2004, an action was filed by Plaintiff, against Defendants in this court to pursue a judgment to vacate plats against the Defendants concerning the following described real property:

**The Plat of Chandra Village:**

Chandra Village being parts of the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4, the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 and the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 3, T25N, R2W, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan; Commencing at the SE corner of Section 3, T25N, R2W, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan; thence N89°40'30"W along the South line of the section 2961.4 feet to the Southwesterly corner of the recorded plat of South Branch Ranch Unit No. 1; thence Northwesterly along said West boundary; thence N47°31'40"W 288.24 feet; thence N26°35'40"W 220.0 feet; thence N5°59'20"E 690.0 feet; thence N10°32'20"W 86.45 feet; thence N30°31'20"W 360.0 feet; thence N25°09'20"W 155.55 feet; thence N0°09'20"W 170.0 feet; thence N86°15'40"E 156.75 feet; thence N0°07'40"E 59.72 feet; thence N81°15'E 156.8 feet; thence N8°08'E 150.0 feet; thence N30°03'E 234.3 feet; thence N9°13'30"E 105.0 feet; thence N2°11'E 379.65 feet; thence N18°41'50"E 40.0 feet to the point of beginning; thence N71°18'40"W 90.0 feet; thence S27°17'30"W 64.4 feet; thence S8°W 420.0 feet; thence S31°00'30"W 173.1 feet; thence S54°50'W 575.95 feet; thence Northwesterly along the arc of a 1889.32 foot radius curve to the left 58.0 feet having a central angle of 1°45' and along chord of 58.0 feet bearing N34°17'30"W; thence N35°10'W 393.0 feet; thence N50°E 451.5 feet; thence N29°20'30"E 62.85 feet; thence N8°E 324.0 feet; thence N21°E 85.0 feet; thence N55°41'30"E 309.35 feet; thence N63°11'30"E 280.0 feet; thence S46°31'30"E 176.8 feet; thence

Southwesterly along the arc of a 225.1 foot radius curve to the left 85.0 feet having a central angle of 21°29' and a long chord of 84.5 feet bearing S33°56'30"W; thence S23°07'30"W 20.0 feet; thence Southeastwesterly along the arc of a 215.84 foot radius curve to the right 117.85 feet having a central angle of 31°35'20" and a long chord of 116.35 feet bearing S58°40'10"E; thence S42°52'30"E 33.0 feet to the Northwesterly boundary of the recorded Plat of South Branch Ranch Unit No. 2; thence S48°29'W along said boundary 180.0 feet; thence S18°41'20"W 80.0 feet to the point of beginning. Said plat consists of 22 lots numbered 1 through 22 inclusive and contains 15.73 acres.

**The Plat of South Branch Ranch Unit No. 2**

South Branch Ranch Unit No. 2 being parts of the SE 1/4, the East 1/2 of SW 1/4, the SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 and the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 3, T25N, R2W, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan; Commencing at the SE corner Section 3, T25N, R2W, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan; thence N89°40'30"W along the South Section line, 1391.6 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing N89°40'30"W along said section line 1569.8 feet; thence N47°31'40"W 288.24 feet; thence N26°35'40"W 220.0 feet; thence N5°59'20"E 690.0 feet; thence N10°32'20"W 86.45 feet; thence N30°31'20"W 360.0 feet; thence N25°09'20"W 155.55 feet; thence N0°09'20"W 170.0 feet; thence N86°15'40"E 156.75 feet; thence Northeastwesterly 60.0 feet on the arc of a curve to the right said curve having a radius of 237.06 feet, a central angle of 14°30'00" and a long chord of 59.72 feet bearing N0°07'40"E; thence N81°15'E 156.8 feet; thence N8°E 150.0 feet; thence N30°03'E 234.3 feet; thence N9°13'30"E 105.0 feet; thence N2°11'30"E 379.65 feet; thence N18°41'50"E 120.0 feet; thence N48°29'30"E 310.9 feet; thence N88°11'30"E 457.4 feet; thence S83°51'30"E 355.0 feet; thence N83°17'30"E 489.9 feet; thence S41°49'30"E 254.2 feet; thence S26°42'30"E 150.0 feet to the North line of recorded plat of South Branch Ranch Unit No. 1; thence along said plat line S52°56'W 204.5 feet to the Easterly right-of-way of Westview Trail; thence Southeastwesterly along the arc of a 484.45 foot radius curve to the right 85.0 feet, said curve having a central angle of 10°03' and a long chord of 84.75 feet bearing S16°08'30"E; thence S78°52'W 66.0 feet; thence S11°08'E 41.4 feet; thence S74°W 210.0 feet to the Westerly line of said plat; thence along said Westerly line S16°06'30"E 698.4 feet; thence S25°23'E 191.3 feet; thence S36°47'E 500.0 feet; thence S50°14'E 205.0 feet; thence S17°21'W 120.0 feet to the North right-of-way of Lariat Lane; thence S72°44'E along said right-of-way 144.85 feet; thence S17°01'W 66.0 feet to the South right-of-way of Lariat Lane; thence N72°44'W along said right-of-way 145.15 feet; thence S17°21'W 150.0 feet; thence N72°49'W 90.0 feet; thence S20°17'W 85.0 feet; thence S1°13'30'E 235.0 feet; thence S4°03'E 182.1 feet; thence S72°27'W 270.0 feet to the point of beginning. Said plat contains 170 lots numbered 119 to 288 inclusive, 2 private parks named Chaparral Park and Peacemaker Park and contains 123.1 acres.

Upon consideration of the Complaint of Plaintiff, attesting to the fact that the Defendant EDWARD J. WALTON'S address is unknown, and that therefore service upon Defendant of the Summons and copy of the Complaint in this action cannot otherwise be effectuated, and it appearing to the Court that the Defendant can best be apprised of the pendency of this action by publication of this Order in a newspaper.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendant, EDWARD J. WALTON, shall file his answer with the Court and serve a copy of his answer on the law offices BRABANT & MANNIKKO, P.L.L.C., by Gerard F. Brabant, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 241 Lake Street, P.O. Box 35, Roscommon, MI 48653, or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the 12th day of August, 2004. Failure to comply with this Order may result in a judgement by default against the Defendant, EDWARD J. WALTON, for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be published once each week for three consecutive weeks in Crawford County Avalanche.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be posted once each week for four (4) weeks in the Crawford County Building.

## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Crawford County Road Commission will receive sealed bids until 9:30 a.m. (for a bid opening during the regular meeting which commences at 10:00 a.m.) on Thursday, July 15, 2004, at their Grayling Office located at 500 Huron Street, P.O. Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-0648, for the following.

### ONE (1) USED ALUMINUM LEAD TRAILER

Specifications may be obtained by contacting the Crawford County Road Commission at the Above address.

Submit Bids in a sealed envelope that is clearly marked with the words: "2004 Used Lead Trailer Bid". The Crawford County Road Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities in the bid, to waive details in the specifications and to accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of Crawford County.

Board of Crawford County Road Commissioners:

Ken Riehle, Chairman  
John Hartman, Vice-Chairman  
James Burch, Commissioner

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be posted at the above described parcel of land at a location visible from the nearest public road and access.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the first publication of this Order be made within 14 days from the date of entry of this Order.

Date of Order: 6/17/04  
S/Alton T. Davis  
(P-24472)  
Honorable Alton T. Davis  
Circuit Court Judge

-1-8-15-22

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

**THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION THAT WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE PHONE NUMBER PROVIDED BELOW.**

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the terms and conditions of a Mortgage bearing interest at 9.1400% per annum made by Timothy G. Sheldon and Kathryn J. Sheldon, husband and wife, Mortgagor, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., acting solely as nominee for Decision One Mortgage Company, L.L.C., Mortgagee, on June 24, 2002 and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on July 9, 2002 in Liber 587 of Mortgages, Page 449, and subsequently assigned to The Provident Bank, on which Mortgage there is due, as of the date of this Notice, the principal sum of \$203,473.70, plus interest.

Under the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, Notice is hereby given that on August 4, 2004, at 10:00 a.m., local time, said Mortgage shall be foreclosed at sale at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door to the County Building, Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, (that being one of the places of holding Circuit Court in said County), of the premises described in said Mortgage, or some part of them.

The premises described in said Mortgage is located in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan and legally described as:

Lot 128, AuSable Woods No. 4, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 33, Crawford County Records  
2861 River Park Drive  
Tax Identification No. 20-040-45-143-00-128-00

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of the sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale.

DATED: June 23, 2004  
The Provident Bank  
NEUMANN LAW, P.C.  
Attorneys for Mortgagee  
1995 N. Cedar, Suite 4  
Holt, MI 48842  
(517) 699-4629

-1-8-15-22

## Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY US AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Alice L. Duby, a single woman, Mortgagor, to GreenPoint Credit, L.L.C., Mortgagee, dated the 26th day of July, 1999 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 19th day of August, 1999 in Liber 488 of Crawford County Records, page 618, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Seventy Eight Thousand Two Hundred Nine & 66/100 (\$78,209.66), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale

contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of August, 2004 at 10:00 o'clock a.m. Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 9.72% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Lovells, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to-wit:

Parcel A-2: Part of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 20, Town 28 North, Range 1 West, described as: Commencing at the West one-quarter corner of said Section; thence South 01 degree 43 minutes 00 seconds West, along the West line of said Section 663.66 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence South 87 degrees 51 minutes 55 seconds East 869.94 feet; thence South 01 degree 29 minutes 23 seconds West parallel with the West one-eighth line of said Section, 583.49 feet; thence North 01 degree 43 minutes 00 seconds East, along said West line 581.7 feet to the Point of Beginning. SUBJECT TO A 25 foot wide ingress and egress easement for the installation and maintenance of public and private utilities. Said easement lying 12.5 feet on each side of and adjacent to the centerline of which is described as: Commencing at the West one-quarter corner of Section 20, Town 28 North, Range 1 West; thence South 88 degrees 01 minutes 02 seconds East, along the East-West one-quarter line of said Section, 12.5 feet to the Point of Beginning of said 25 foot wide easement; thence South 01 degree 43 minutes 00 seconds West, parallel with the West line of said Section, 663.66 feet to the Point of Ending of centerline of said 25 foot easement.

During the twelve (12) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: 7/11/04 GreenPoint Credit, L.L.C. Mortgagee

FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C.  
Jonathan L. Engman (P56364)  
Attorney for GreenPoint Credit, L.L.C.  
888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 1470  
Troy, MI 48064  
248-362-2600

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Grayling Township Planning Commission to hold public hearings on proposed zoning amendments

The Grayling Township Planning Commission will hold two public hearings on Tuesday, July 27, in the Grayling Township Meeting Room located at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, MI.

7:00 p.m. - Public hearing to consider a proposed restrictive amendment to the Grayling Township Zoning Ordinance (2003-2), concerning the parking lot of commercial vehicles in residential zones.

7:30 - Public hearing to consider a proposed restrictive amendment to the Grayling Township Zoning Ordinance (2003-2) concerning the placement of older mobile homes in any zone. This amendment will not affect any mobile homes already in place.

The text for each proposal can be seen and copies may be obtained at the Grayling Township Hall, at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, MI 49738. Questions may be directed to: Terry Wright, Zoning Administrator, at (989) 348-4361 during normal business hours.

Terry Wright  
Supervisor/Zoning Administrator

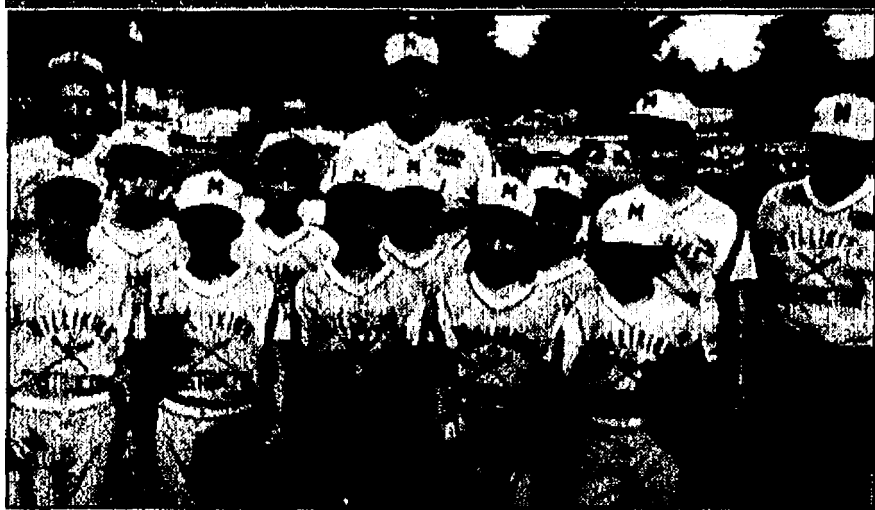
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**AVALANCHE**  
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# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



**1981 LITTLE LEAGUE CHAMPIONS** - Millikin Construction won their second league title in a row. Team members, from left to right (front row) Derric Christman, Bud Ostrowski, Dave Myers, Carrie Trudgeon, Frank Press. Second row, Joe LaGrow, Tim Zigala, Eric Methner, John Schreiber, Kevin Hudson. Third row, Coaches Larry Ostrowski, Mark Willoughby, and Mike Shearer. Not pictured are Ron Melhorn, Rob Strong, and statistician Piper Ostrowski. (July 16, 1981)

### 23 Years Ago July 16, 1981

M&M Excavating, of Gaylord, with a bid of \$237,854, received a contract from the City of Grayling for street improvement. A total of 15 city blocks will be repaired.

The Downtown Merchants Association, through donations and future fund raising projects, is the group that spear headed the purchase of the different state flags to add to the decoration of downtown. Last Monday night, Jerry Morford and Bob Cole did the hard work of niggignt the light poles and hoisting the flags up. They were assisted by Dean Morford, Shawn Gibbons and Tom Schlehuber. We understand that two volunteer workers Tom

Gibbons and Ernie Dawson spent their time in a restaurant drinking coke while the work was going on.

Lovells Riverside softball team came back from the losers bracket to win a thrilling play-off from R&H Sport Center and capture the Grayling softball tournament. In the championship game, Lovells came back from eight runs down to edge R&H Sport Center by one run in the eighth inning.

### 46 Years Ago July 17, 1958

The Alley Kats bowling team, Mrs. LeRoy Papendick, Mrs. Robert Hayes, Mrs. Gerald Blaine, Miss Kate Nave and Mrs. Betty LaChappelle, spent their bowling kitty on an overnight bowling trip and visit to

Charlevoix.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Kumpula left last Thursday on a two week fishing trip to Immuns, Ontario. They will attend a high school reunion at Calumet High School in the U.P. on the way back.

The slab at the former Lantern Dining Room at Lake Margrethe is seeing activity each Saturday night during the summer. Van Smith, owner of the property, has allowed a group of enterprising youngsters to hold dances there. The project was sparked by Karl Gohnick. Assisting him are Judy Kenyon, Judy Larson, Richard Moore and Vivian Fenton.

### 69 Years Ago July 18, 1935

Adolph Peterson has purchased the Mrs. Thorild Boeson house on Chestnut Street, and Axel Peterson has purchased the Peterson home for his mother, Mrs. Andrew Peterson.

The Western Union Telegraph Company has just completed installation of nine Western Union clocks at various points in the city which insures absolute correct time for those enterprising concerns who have subscribed to this service. These are the first Western Union clocks ever in Grayling and indicate that the city is modernizing even to time service.

For the oldest homecomer coming back to Grayling to attend the homecoming, Rev. Peter Kjolhede of Grant, former pastor of the Danish-Lutheran Church, takes the prize. He is 91 years old and was paster of the local church for 23 years.

Miss Mildred Hanson entertained the Graduate Girls Sewing Club at the Hanson cottage on Lake Margrethe last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Oaks of Flint are among Grayling's homecoming guests this week, visiting among relatives and friends. Mr. Oaks made the remark that he has never been broke since he left Grayling 23 years ago.

### 92 Years Ago July 18, 1912

Grandma Barber was visiting at Grayling and Portage Lake last week. She is one of the pioneers, having reached her 80th birthday, and she will out-do lots of the young folks today.

Both autos of T.E. Douglas have been out of commission the past week which made our streets very dull.

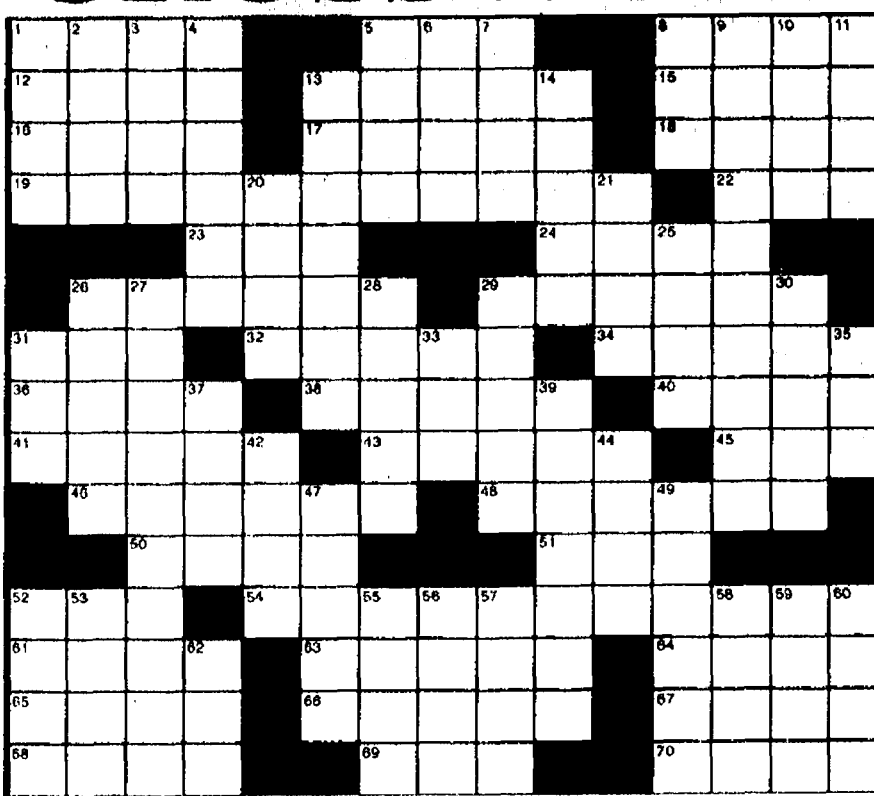
The horses belonging to David Knecht and Henry Stephan were found near Moorestown after being lost for about three weeks. They were returned to their owners last week Thursday after having strayed about thirty miles from home.

H.L. Abrahams, of Millersburg, has purchased the department store of the Kelley estate at Frederic.

Joe Duby had a sheep stray onto his ranch. He is thinking of some fries if not soon claimed.

The Feldhauser Brothers have started their mill again. We heard the whistle this morning.

## CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

1. Kershaw, The Ragin' Cajun.
5. Adapted to an end or design.
8. Thrust of a pointed weapon.
12. Tropical Asian plant grown for its edible green pods.
13. Roman goddess of agriculture.
15. Marked by wide separation of component particles.
16. To make a ringing sound.
17. Porter in eastern countries.
18. Greek goddess of the rainbow.
19. Something desired as essential.
22. Light, tapping, rhythmical sound.
23. To incline downward.
24. Speckled, reddish brown monkey.
26. Far Eastern tower with roofs curving upward at each story.
29. To send out new growth.
31. Acronym for Estimated Annual Units.
32. Tract of soft wet land.
34. Claw of a bird of prey.
36. Ransom Eli \_\_\_\_, founder of the Olds Motor Works.
38. South American birds resembling an ostrich but smaller.
40. Wet, spongy earth.
41. Richard \_\_\_\_, architect bst known for Los Angeles Getty Center.
43. Cricket frogs.
45. Stang for no.
46. Superlative of sore.
48. Mischievous.
50. Heavy, long-handled hammer used to drive stakes.
51. Incapable of being accounted for.
52. Lyric poem marked by exaltation of feeling and style.
54. Modified by simpliflynh in style or content.
61. \_\_\_\_, professional baseball player.
63. Possessive case of they.
64. To excude slowly.
65. Expression of solemn ratification.
66. Marine mammals with webbed flippers.
67. Ripped.
68. Person having authority over others.
69. Abbreviation for Eastern Daylight Time.
70. Auxilliary airfoil at the leading edge of an airplane wing.

### Down

1. Deryl \_\_\_\_, debut album was One Ride in Vegas.
2. Native or inhabitant of Oklahoma.
3. Large vases with feet.
4. Pledging or staking.
5. To have a reverential awe of.
6. Acronym for Irish Recorded Music Association.
7. Protuberance through which milk is drawn.
8. Title of respect for a man in India.
9. Pieces of material used to protect exposed objects.
10. Air or melody.
11. One's maximum effort.
13. Hard smooth-textured cheese whose flavor becomes stronger with age.
14. To assume a drooping posture.
20. Law in Anglo-Saxon England.
21. Note sounded when a deer is killed.
25. \_\_\_\_, Chomsky, linguist and leading dissident political scholar.
26. Perpendicular stripes on heraldic shield.
27. Instrument used to measure hearing acuity.
28. Buddhist who has reached the stage of enlightenment.
29. \_\_\_\_, Lewis, created Lamb Chop.
30. Five books of Moses constituting the Pentateuch.
31. Acronym for End of the Month.
33. Moderately dry.
35. Abbreviation for Nehemiah.
37. Plural of serum.
39. Stews gently below the boiling point.
42. General \_\_\_\_, Williams, founder of the Northern Indiana newspaper.
44. Stout, rounded place used to support rigging.
47. Marrow openings.
49. Utterly foolish people.
52. Mineral of hydrated silica.
53. Recording intended to show off a song to a record producer.
55. Expression of delight.
56. Deprived of life.
57. Rhythmical swing.
58. Abbreviation for zoology.
59. High priest who lead the Jews back to Jerusalem after their Babylonian exile.
60. To have a weakening effect on.
62. Part of an area that lies at the boundary.

### ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

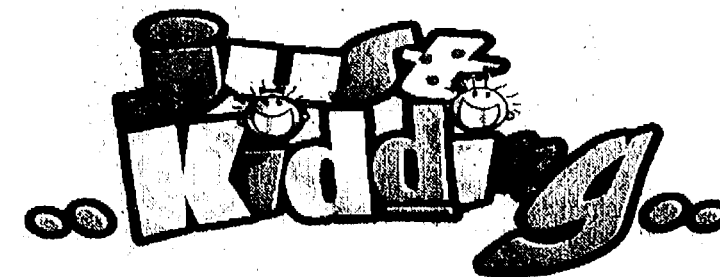
## RECIPE OF THE WEEK



## Ultimate Ice Cream Sandwiches

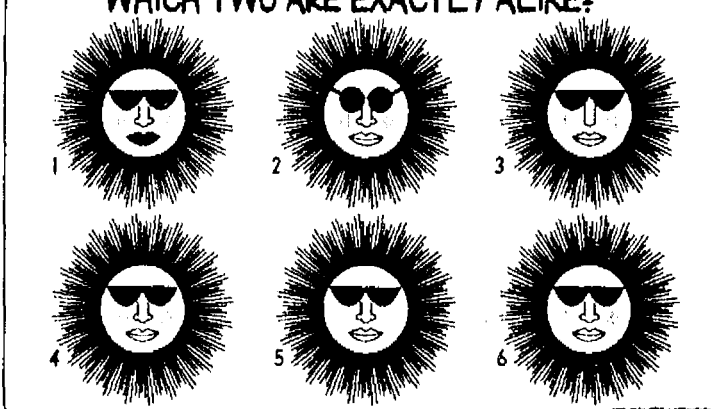
1pkg. (18 oz.) Refrigerated Cookie Bar Dough (Chocolate Chip ~~Co~~vers, Chocolate Chips & Chunks with Pecans, White Chip Macadamia Nut or Peanut Butter Cups, Chips & Chocolate Chunks)  
3 cups vanilla or chocolate ice cream, slightly softened  
Semi Sweet Chocolate Mini Morsels (optional)

PREPARE cookies according to package directions. Cool completely.  
PLACE 1/2 cup ice cream on flat side of 1 cookie; top with flat side of second cookie to make a sandwich. Roll sides of sandwiches in morsels. Wrap tightly in plastic wrap and freeze for at least 1 hour before serving.



## FIND THE TWINS

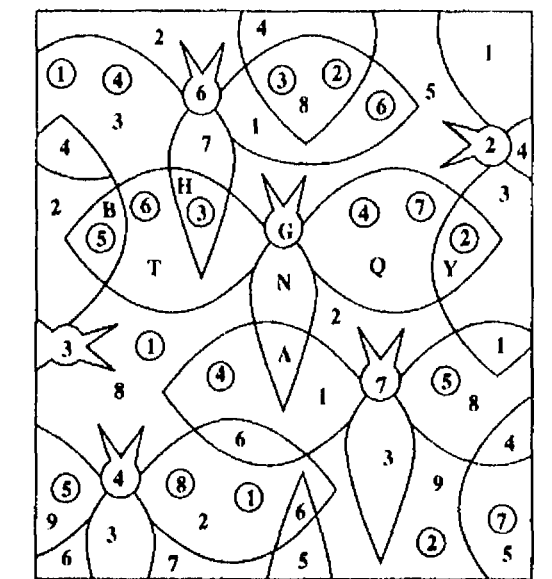
WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



## DID YOU KNOW ??

A raisin dropped in a fresh glass of soda will bounce up and down continually from the bottom of the glass to the top.

## HIDDEN PICTURE



Color in each space that contains a letter.

## ADOPT A PET



Meet Jewel's Kids!! They are Diamond, Jet, Peridot (Perry for short), Opal, Topaz, Jade, and Beryl. There are 4 Males and 3 Females. They are 10 1/2 week old Lab mixes. They are spayed and neutered and have their second set of vaccinations. All they need now is a new home. For more information on any of our pets that are up for adoption, please visit our website at: [www.ascc.petfinder.com](http://www.ascc.petfinder.com)

To help raise funds for shelter operations, two barrels have been placed near the gates to receive donations of return-deposit cans and bottles. You can also help support the shelter by visiting its exhibit at this Saturday's Wellington Farm Park Free Fair, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Creature Comfort Cook Books are still available for a donation of \$15 at the Medicine Shoppe, Riverland Gear and the Avalanch. New 2005 Pet and Dog Calendars are available at the Avalanch and the shelter for a donation of \$5.

Now that the weather is getting hot and steamy, remember to provide your pets with a cool place to stay and fresh water. Don't leave your pets in a hot vehicle even with the windows down a bit, the interior of your vehicle can reach upwards of 120 degrees within 10 minutes when it is 85 degrees outside. Make a few frozen bullion or broth treats for your pet... they will help them cool off and they will love you for it!

**The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at:**  
**508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling**  
Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall  
Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sun. and Holidays 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.  
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

| Last Week |    |    |      | Extended Forecast |                   |               |                    |               |               |
|-----------|----|----|------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Date      | H  | L  | Rain | 7/7               | 7/8               | 7/9           | 7/10               | 7/11          | 7/12          |
| 7/7       | 67 | 56 | 0.06 | High 80           | High 79           | High 77       | High 74            | High 78       | High 81       |
| 7/8       | 64 | 53 | 0.01 | Low 57            | Low 57            | Low 55        | Low 52             | Low 58        | Low 59        |
| 7/9       | 61 | 53 | 0    | Mostly Sunny      | Isolated T-Storms | Partly Cloudy | All Clouds/ PM Sun | Partly Cloudy | Partly Cloudy |
| 7/10      | 70 | 53 | 0    |                   |                   |               |                    |               |               |
| 7/11      | 81 | 51 | 0    |                   |                   |               |                    |               |               |
| 7/12      | 84 | 63 | 0    |                   |                   |               |                    |               |               |
| 7/13      | 87 | 62 | 0    |                   |                   |               |                    |               |               |



# ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

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Classifieds by the word rate - \$5.00 for 15 words or

less, 10¢ per each additional word; includes Internet listing:

www.townnews.com/avalanche/

Classified by the word deadline - 12 noon, Tuesday

## Crawford County Avalanche

### 1. Real Estate

**QUALITY BUILT 3 BED-ROOM** 2 bath home with attached, heated, 2-car garage. Amenities include oak flooring, wiring for surround sound, heated tile floors in bathrooms, deck and storage shed. Located at 3151 Jones Lake Road, in AuSable Woods - includes use of clubhouse and pool. \$119,000 (989) 348-3587. Owners motivated to sell! (LR/29/04/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**REPOSSESSED HOME** for \$8,000 near Lake Margrethe. Call Frank Janca for details. 989-892-2828 or 989-239-9333. (-15-22/1)

**BEAUTIFUL 4 BEDROOM** 2.5 bath home 2800+ sq ft home. Close to Bear Lake, many extras. \$175,000 231-258-4370. (-24-1-8-15/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**210 FEET OF COMMERCIAL** frontage on I-75 Business Loop. Cleared site with natural gas available. Recent survey. Call Fred Fisher at RE/MAX of Grayling for more information. (800)731-4002. FF-1840. (-15/1)

**WE BUY HOUSES** any condition. Will look at all. 989-366-9573. (-8-15-22-29/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**MANY NORTHERN MICHIGAN** Properties www.century21grayling.com (1/7/99/1/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**HOME IN TOWN** for sale by owner: 4 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath. Fenced backyard. Full basement. Call for appointment. 348-7246. (-15-22-29-5/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**24X24 GARAGE** with attached lean shed and pump house, with well on lot. Just out of city limits. Asking \$13,500. Call 348-5847. (-15/1)

# Century 21

## RIVER COUNTRY

Winning Office of's Quality Service Awards



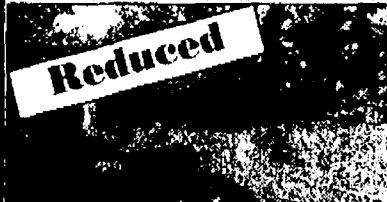
Beautiful log home close to the main stream of the AuSable River. 1344 square feet of living space with 2 bedrooms, also has a 3 season porch with hot tub. Large heated pole barn, great for those winter projects. #5338 \$179,900



Well maintained home in Grayling Mobile Estates. This 2 bedroom home features enclosed porch entrance, shed and like new 16x24 garage with cement drive all on sizeable lot. #5340 \$34,000



What a setting! Enjoy this charming 2 bedroom ranch on 20 acres. Home features wood burner insert fireplace, 2 car attached garage, cabin, shed and is only a mile from access to the AuSable River. Property adjoins state land. #118,500 #5341



This three bedroom, two bath ranch is located on 4 acres of beautiful hardwoods in snowmobiles haven. Shows great pride in ownership, landscaped and offers full walkout basement. Great year around home. #5257 \$109,900



Quality stick built, 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home with attached garage. This home is located in a quiet subdivision with a deeded private access to the Manistee River. Very close to state land and only 6 miles from town. A must see home at an affordable price. #5282 \$76,000



Located in the City of Grayling is this 1896 vintage home with 3 bedrooms, formal dining room, parlor, 10 foot ceilings, ceramic & hardwood flooring, original wood trim, stained glass windows, garage, fenced yard and basement #5299 \$85,000



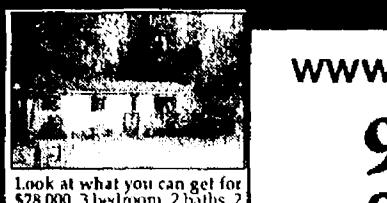
Charming 3 bedroom home in the city of Grayling. Home features wooded accents throughout, whirlpool tub above ground swimming pool, basement, satellite service, and newer appliances. Close to schools, hospitals and just a few blocks from downtown. Truly a must see! #5269 \$72,500



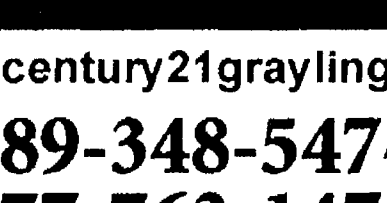
Location this home has it all. Living room, family room with fireplace, Florida room full basement, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, attached garage, paved drive, landscaping, and only minutes from town. Tons of updates all within the last 5 years. #5275 \$122,500



Restaurant plus single family residence on 5 acres in the Manistee Lake Resort area. Lots of growth potential. Call Don (989) 348-7966



Look at what you can get for \$78,000. 3 bedroom, 2 baths, 2 car garage, large fenced in yard with big deck and swimming pool, shed, decorative paint and landscaping. Close to bike trails and town. #5168 \$78,000



With state land to the west, seclusion surrounds you at this cozy 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home only 3/10th mile from the AuSable River. North Branch. Also features attached, insulated garage and storage for the snowmobile. #5236 \$48,500



3 Bedroom, 2 bath home offers 1056 square feet and detached garage. In the village of Roscommon. Sit at end of a semi private road. Property also includes a cabin that is currently being rented out. Great investment property. Roscommon area. \$79,990.00 CS-1852

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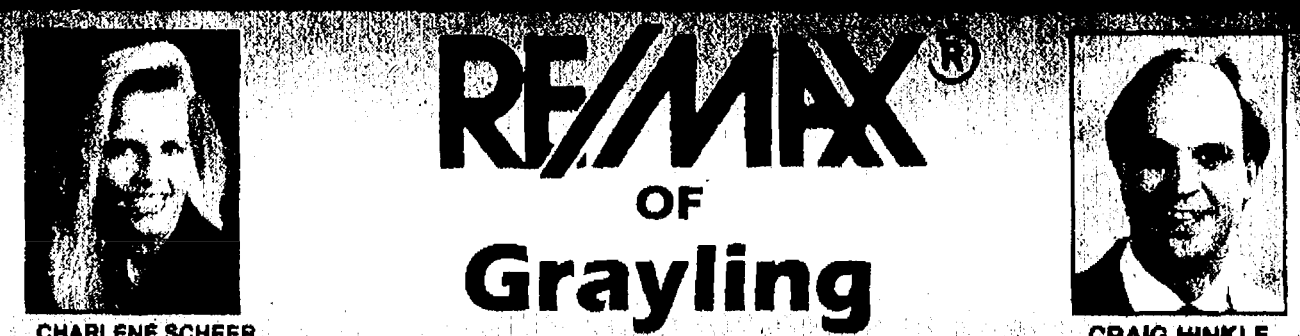
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Reach for the affordable! 2 bedroom, 1 full bath offers 984 square feet of living space. Open floor plan to kitchen, dining and living room. Beautiful oak kitchen cabinets with ample space. Vinyl windows throughout. Appliances include stove, refrigerator, garbage disposal, washer and dryer. Built in wall air conditioner. Very neat and clean. Turn Key! 2 storage buildings. Close to Manistee River and State Land. \$59,000.00 CS-1925



Above the Crowd!



FIVE ACRES WITH EASY ACCESS TO AUSABLE RIVER. Spacious 3BR, 2BA Commodore Classic mobile home offering. Roof over, steel doors, vinyl replacement windows, appliances, blinds, whirlpools, newer carpeting, insulated slab, limestone private gravel circle drive, concrete apron, sidewalk, fenced garden, heated garage/barn, woodshed, storage building, split rail fencing, planted Oak & Aspen trees, & landscaping \$79,900. CH-1973



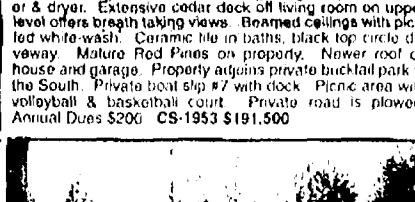
HARBOR BEACH WITH DEEDED CANAL FRONTAGE AND PRIVATE SHARED SANDY BEACH. 80 of shared private beach on Lake Margrethe. 3 story Chalet offers 3611, 1 3/4 baths with 1896 square feet. This home is perfect for entertaining with 2 kitchens. Includes all the appliances: 2 stoves, 2 refrigerators, microwave, garbage disposal, washer & dryer. Extension cord deck off living room on upper level offers breath taking views. Beamed ceilings with pickled white wash. Ceramic tile in baths. Black top rock driveway. Mature Red Pines on property. River cool on house and garage. Property adjoins private buckskin park to the South. Private local slip #7 with dock. Picnic area with volleyball & basketball court. Private road is paved. Annual dues \$200. CS-1953 \$191,500



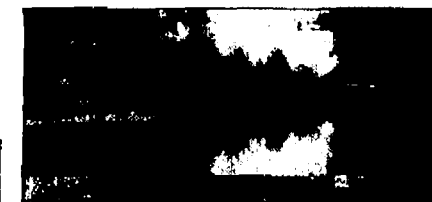
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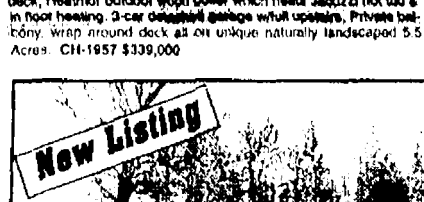
CEDAR MODIFIED SALT BOX ON BANKS OF AUSABLE RIVER. Rustic four unit w/24 ft. log on twelfth level bottom. Cathedral ceilings with rustic floor. Knotty pine interior walls & ceiling. Fugate fireplace, hardwood floors, ceramic tile kitchen, updated windows & 6 doorways opening onto river side deck. Heated outdoor wood pole which makes Jacuzzi hot tub & in floor heating. 3 car detached garage with upstairs. Private boat dock with round deck at one end. Beautifully landscaped 5.5 Acres. CH-1857 \$339,000



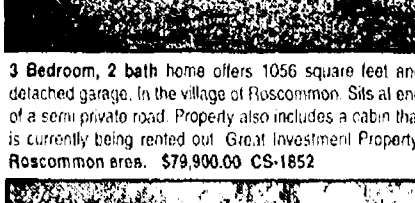
250' FRONTAGE ON AUSABLE RIVER WITH UNIQUE PRIVATE ISLAND. Secluded waterfront setting with majestic red & white pines, private island, irrigated lawn. Beautiful perennial gardens display colorful wildflowers with sprinkling system. 1.587 s.f. offering family room, fieldstone fireplace, 30x42 attached garage, 10x20 carport and dog kennel. CH-1874 \$215,000



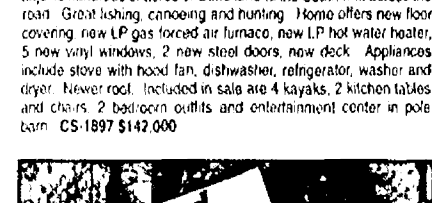
175' FRONTAGE ON EAST BRANCH OF AUSABLE RIVER. 2,196 s.f. wrap-around deck, walk-out basement, 800 s.f. brick-around deck, custom cedar sauna, brick fireplace w/glass logs, sliding door to patio and riverside Jacuzzi hot tub. Fully landscaped and all appliances. \$279,500. CH-1938



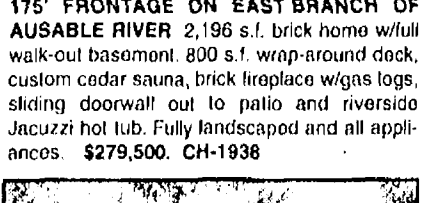
AUSABLE RIVER - the ultimate in total seclusion. 17 acres, 1,700' frontage all adjoining Huron Nat'l Forest. 2,872 s.f., 3 BR, 2 1/2 baths. 26x66 garage, 43'x50' finished workshop, great room with fieldstone fireplace, 40 foot window wall overlooking horseshoe bend in river. Nicely landscaped. Corian counter tops, custom appliances, tons of extras. Perfect corporate retreat or family getaway. \$675,000. CH-1939



A 15 ACRE RETREAT FOR ALL SEASONS. Chalet with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. Open floor plan with Pergo floors downstairs. Kitchen offers quality oak cabinets and snack bar. Vinyl thermo windows, drywall throughout. Brick fireplace in living room. Outside water and electric. Gravel drive. County maintained Road. CS-1800 \$112,000



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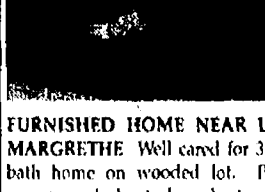
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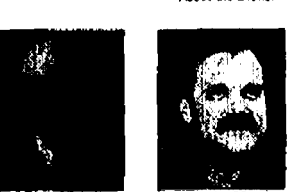
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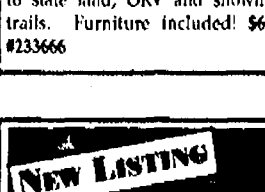
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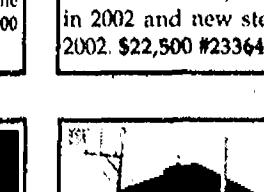
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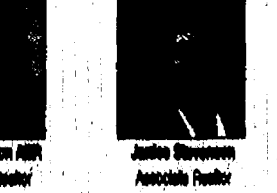
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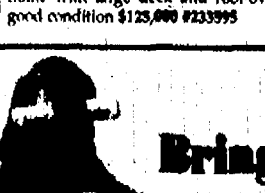
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## RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS



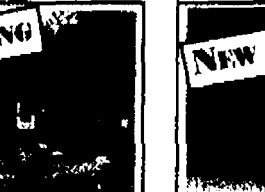
FURNISHED HOME NEAR LAKE MARGRETHE. Well cared for 3BR, 2 bath home on wooded lot. Public access and boat launch to Lake Margrethe a short distance away. Close to state land, ORV and snowmobile trails. Furniture included! \$60,000 #233666



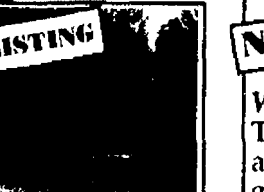
MOBILE HOME WITH STEEL ROOF Great 2BR, 1 bath rental or starter home. 1973 Star Mobile home with newer windows, new furnace in 2002 and new steel roof in 2002. \$22,500 #233648



NICE COUNTRY HOME WITH MANY AMENITIES. This comfortable 3BR, 1.5 bath home offers country living, but is situated close to town. State land to the north, near snowmobile trails and Lake Margrethe. A totally new kitchen with all new appliances, new drywall in 2 bedrooms, new carpet throughout, new gas fireplace, 18'x26' deck and many more amenities. \$68,900 #233598



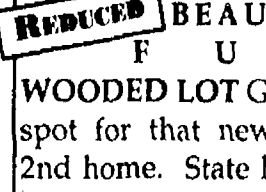
COZY HOME WITH OUTDOOR SAUNA. This is the perfect 2BR, 1 bath getaway, close to the AuSable River and state land. Newer updates in kitchen and bath, newer copper plumbing and some new drywall. Sauna outside in separate building. Shed, new decking and new alarm system. \$69,900 #233597



THE PERFECT SPORTSMAN'S GETAWAY. Perfect first home or a sportsman's getaway. You are only about 1/4 mile from the Blue Bear Trails. State land backs up to the property on the North. This comfortable 2 BR, 1 bath home offers new hotwater heater, propane heater in 1997, new roof and carpeting in 2000 and lots of storage. \$72,900 #232937



228' ON THE EAST BRANCH OF THE AUSABLE RIVER. Absolutely stunning 4.41 acres with 228 feet of frontage on the East Branch of the AuSable River. You must walk this property to appreciate it. \$39,900 #231970



BEAUTIFUL WOODED LOT Great spot for that new or 2nd home. State land one mile to the west and electric at road. \$5,000 #226190



UP NORTH GETAWAY. Great location with all amenities for the Up North property/getaway. Tucked neatly on a manicured lawn with the remainder of the property wooded. Large pole barn features front-free hydrant. Exterior RV hook-up with slab. 2 bedroom mobile home with large deck and roof-over in good condition \$129,000 #233995





**MOTIVATED SELLERS** with newer family home on large corner lot! Separate family and living rooms as well as game room and heated workshop. Heated pool with extensive decking and private backyard. For more information call Fred Fisher at RE/MAX of Grayling (800)731-4002 or visit my website [www.FredTFisher.com](http://www.FredTFisher.com) <http://www.FredTFisher.com>, FF-1902. (-15/1)

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**CHARMING OLDER HOME** with city amenities. Updated kitchen, baths, and utilities. Wonderful old world woodwork and hardwood floors. For more information call Fred Fisher at RE/MAX of Grayling at (800)731-4002 FF-1947. (-15/1)

**NICELY MAINTAINED** energy efficient, 3 bedroom 1 3/4 bath home on a double lot. 2 blocks from Lake Margrethe, includes public access. \$89,000 989-344-0099. (-15-22-29/1)



Newly remodeled three bedroom home. Lots of room, nice quiet neighborhood. 25'x25' heated garage/workshop. Covered porch, three sheds and a giant tree house! State land out the backdoor. Lakes and rivers minutes away. Nice roomy house and yard! Natural gas and septic. \$78,000  
Please call 348-4573 anytime, please leave a message!

**COMPLETELY REMODELED** home in quiet, family neighborhood close to Lake Margrethe and snowmobile trails. 1,900+ sq. ft. home with room for growing family. Call Fred Fisher at RE/MAX of Grayling for more information. (800)731-4002 FF-1967. (-15/1)

**GREAT LOCATION** within walking distance of Manistee River in the heart of snowmobile country. Completely remodeled house with large insulated and heated garage. Additional acreage also available. See my website, [www.FredTFisher.com](http://www.FredTFisher.com) or call Fred Fisher at RE/MAX of Grayling (800)731-4002. FF-1944. (-15/1)

**VERY PRIVATE** well built home with full basement on large tract of land backing up to state land. Year round access off county maintained road. Great opportunity for horse ranch or development. For more information call Fred Fisher at RE/MAX of Grayling (800)731-4002 FF-1909. (-15/1)

**NEW NEW NEW** JJ's Auto Glass (a division of JJ's Motor Mall) Complete auto glass service. Deductibles waived up to \$150.00, stone chips fixed, windshield repair and replacement. Stop in for a free estimate. JJ's Auto Glass (across from Skip's) M-72 West 348-7710. (5/27/2004)(f/1)

**GRAND OPENING** at Hawk Ridge Golf Course, Saturday July 24th. Free hot dogs and soft drinks. Free golf clinics, test your golf skill games, win prizes, make your tee times early. Hawk Ridge Golf Course at Skyline Ski and Country Club. Exit 251 between Higgins Lake and Grayling 989-275-2000. (-15/1)

**CAMP IN YOUR POLE** barn on 10+ acres in Lovells. Paved road, excellent building site close to AuSable, Shupac, snowmobile trails. \$49,000 land contract possible 344-8032. (-SGF-1-8-15-22-29/1)

**TWO BEDROOM MOBILE** for rent. \$400 989-348-5278 references. (-8-15-22-29/2)

**CLEAN 2 BEDROOM** mobile with storage barn. Three miles from town \$425 a month, security deposit, references required. No pets. 348-8386. (-15-22/2)

**CLEAN 2 BEDROOM** mobile with storage barn. 7 miles east of Grayling. \$375 a month. Security deposit, references required. No pets. 348-8386. (-15-22-29-5/2)

**VACATION CABIN ON AU-SABLE** River for rent completely furnished. One room, sleeps four. Great fishing. Available May 1st, for rates call 989-348-8350. (4/15/04)(f/2)

**NICE ROOM** for rent. Friendly, country atmosphere. \$220 monthly (989)348-7506. (-15/2)

**FOR LEASE COMMERCIAL** Building. Approximately 4,000 ft. great retail location at light on M-72 West and 93. Call for details. (989) 348-8659 (11/20/03)(f/2)

**ONE BEDROOM IN TOWN** on AuSable, upstairs. \$375 a month and references. 231-599-2895. (05/20/04)(f/2)

**HOUSE FOR RENT** two bedroom, one bath, range, refrigerator. Utilities not included. No pets. \$425 month, plus \$425 security deposit. 8115 Insley St. by Lake Margrethe. 989-348-4716. (7/15/04)(f/2)

**NORTHWOOD RENTALS** is taking applications to fill upcoming vacancies at our property located on Heather Lane off North Down River Road in Grayling. These two bedroom duplex apartments all have attached garage, washer hook up, and lots of storage. Snow plowing is included. Rent is \$550.00 plus cleaning deposit. Call 989-344-8787. (-7/8/04)(f/2)

**DuBois Rental Center.**  
Tents, Tables & Chairs  
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### 1. Real Estate

#### HOUSE FOR SALE BY OWNER



4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2500 sq. ft. log home. Appliances, deck, 2 car attached garage. Located near Hartwick Pines. 348-0194 or 619-2800 [forsalebyowner.com](mailto:forsalebyowner.com) listing #20091426



**Connie L. Winans**  
8 5 feet on Beautiful Houghton Lake! Secluded setting just about on the waters edge is this quaint, 3 bedroom home with beautiful hardwood flooring & Brick fireplace. 28x28 Garage & a 22x14 Guest Cottage complete with kitchen & 3/4 bath! #5325 \$395,000



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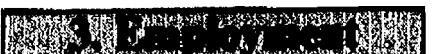
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#### 8. Announcements

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**USED BOOK SALE** at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library, 201 Plum Street, Wednesday, July 21 2:00 to 6:00 pm; Thursday, July 22 10:00 to 7:00 pm; Friday, July 23 10:00 to 4:00 pm. (SGF-15-22/8)

**CLUB KENO & PULL TABS** at the Gray Rock Cafe! In the past two months the Gray Rock Cafe has given away \$32,790.00 to its patrons. Join the fun at 2123 Industrial Drive, Grayling. (-05/06/04tf/8)

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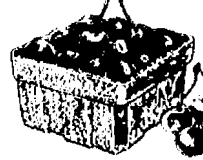


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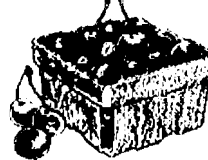
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**WAREHOUSE SALE** shoes, casual-dress, American made \$10. Casual wear children-ladies \$3-\$5 each. Tank tops with screen printing \$4-\$10. Used bedroom suite \$350. Carpeting new commercial grade with padding \$5 a yard. Sale Thursday, Friday and Saturday only. 10am to 6pm. Star Liquidators 100 Ottawa Street, Grayling. Cash only. WE WHOLESALE. (-15/8)

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**1 MICHAEL RICHARD KELLY** am no longer responsible for Nicole Suzanne Maggo-Kelly's debts. (-15-22-29-5-12-19-26/8)

**NATIONAL GUARDSMEN** play at Hawk Ridge Golf Course, Skyline Ski & Country Club. 9-holes with cart \$60.00 per 4-some. Restrictions: military ID required, offer valid for 4-some only, Monday-Thursday. Call ahead for Tee Time 989-275-2000. (-15/8)

**GRAND OPENING** at Hawk Ridge Golf Course, Saturday July 24th. Free hot dogs and soft drinks. Free golf clinics, test your golf skill games, win prizes, make your tee times early. Hawk Ridge Golf Course at Skyline Ski and Country Club. Exit 251 between Higgins Lake and Grayling 989-275-2000. (-15/8)

#### 10. Garage Sale

**GARAGE SALE** at corner of Michigan Avenue and Erie this Friday 16 and Saturday 17. 9:00-? Furniture, clothes, shoes, toys, books, bi-fold door, screen door, dishes, material, and lots of misc. (-15/10)

**JULY 17 - YOUR LUCKY DAY.** Antiques, collectibles, 1952 Evinrude outboard motor, vintage cameras, fishing equipment, water toys, deck furniture, and all kinds of useful everyday things for guys and gals. Margrethe Blvd to 2600 E Lakeshore Dr. Follow signs. One day only 9-3. (-15/10)

**YARD SALE** - Danish Landing Road - follow signs. Friday and Saturday 9:00-4:00. (-15/10)

**BENEFIT YARD SALE** for C.A.S.A. (Grayling's youth soccer organization!) Friday (9-4) and Saturday (9-?) 225 Dale St. (1 block west of Roberts Rd.) \*\*\*\*If you haven't signed up for C.A.S.A.'s fall season yet, July 16th is the last day to register! Call 348-5696 for more information. (-15/10)

**JULY 16, 17 & 18** and 23, 24 & 25. New baby clothes, size 2x and 3x men's clothes, household items. 7756 Peterson Road. (-15-22/10)

**JULY 15 THRU 17** 9 to ? 502 Park St. crafts, computer, clothes, books, and more. (-15/10)

**GARAGE SALE** July 18 thru 25 at 1086 S. Ausable Trail, Grayling. Lots of items: Health Ryder exerciser, Dickens Christmas Village, portable dishwasher and telescopes. Until everything goes. (-15/10)

**GARAGE SALE** Friday 1-6 and Saturday 9-5. Furniture, baby items, clothes, and miscellaneous. 6691 Nottingham. (-15/10)

**GARAGE SALE** Friday 16, Saturday 17 and Sunday. 10am - 4pm. Some Hummels and collectibles, lots more. W 72 to McIntyre Landing, follow signs to Regimental Way. (-15/10)

**JULY 17TH AND 18TH** 9am-? 109 State Street. Sporting goods, collectibles, clothes, household and other misc items. (-15/10)

**JULY 17 & 18** Moving south, everything from antique to new. M72 W next to Maytag App., just past Old Dam Road. (-15/10)

**MOVING SALE** July 16 and 17 9am-6pm. Rain or shine. 4832 Gierke Road. Men's tools, band saw, water pump, vise bench grinder, antiques, beer can collection, log chains and binders, 5th wheel hitch and tailgate, fishing poles, 19" TV, full size bed, battery charger, wheel barrow, truck storage box, air tools, antique tractor seats, file cabinets, time clock, Halloween stuff, tables and chairs, some clothes and freebies, and much more. Take Madison to Maryann to Gierke Road. (-15/10)


#### 8. Announcements

**LARGE GARAGE SALE** Friday thru Sunday 9 to 4, 2222 Shaw Park. Lots of everything including tools: 72 East to Stephan Bridge, turn left, go one mile, right on Shaw Park. Go half mile, on right, balloons on mail box. (-15/10)

**GARAGE SALE** open Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 10 to 4. Baby and toddler clothes and supplies, maternity clothes, large and extra large, old lawn tractor, etc. 281 N. Red Head Lane. (-15/10)

#### 8. Announcements

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#### 9. Personals

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY GRANDPA!**  
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#### 9. Personals

#### 11. Automotive

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#### 11. Automotive

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